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OMG! Fords plan brother of all trades

Teamwork. Political strategy is to keep one Ford in mayor's office if appeal, byelection fall through: Organizers

While Rob Ford's legal team maps out a plan to win his appeal, Ford's political machine is busy working on a strategy to keep at least one Ford in the mayor's office.

If Ford is banned from running in a byelection, his councillor brother would run in his place. The mayor would then turn his attention to provincial politics, which Doug Ford had been planning to do this year.

This worst-case-scenario plan is being floated among Ford's inner circle, according to two political organizers, in the wake of a conflict-of-interest ruling that could see Toronto's mayor removed in less than two weeks.

Hours after Justice Charles Hackland concluded Ford had violated municipal conflict-of-interest legislation and would need to step down, those closest to the Ford brothers gathered in Etobicoke to figure out the family's next move.

Plan A is to get the ruling overturned. Plan B is for the mayor to win a byelection.

But there is significant doubt that Ford is legally able to participate in a byelection. In his decision, Hackland stated Ford

could run after the "current term." On Tuesday, Toronto's top lawyer, Anna Kinastowski, told council she believes the wording bans Ford from office until 2014.

The elder Ford said their lawyers believe Kinastowski is wrong and they plan to seek judicial clarification. When asked if he would run in his brother's place, the councillor shrugged.

"Well, I can't comment, I can tell you is Ford Nation is rallied like they've never been rallied — even before the (2010) election — and they're ready to go ... Rob's gonna run and Rob's gonna win." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

More coverage, pages 3-4.

STILL LIVIN' ON THE EDGE

Frontman Steven Tyler, left, has aged well judging by the lively, very physical set veteran Boston rockers Aerosmith delivered at Air Canada Centre Tuesday night. **TOM PANDI/FOR METRO**

He ain't funny, he's our mayor

Rob Ford's antics get global media attention, but not all the stories are true **PAGE 3**

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Ford flops, gaffes and gifs garner attention worldwide

Funny, but accurate?

Posts by publications enamoured with Toronto mayor are good for a laugh, but could use a fact check



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A judge's decision to remove Toronto's colourful mayor from office made headlines and comedy websites around the world — some reporting, inaccurately, that the mayor was turfed for misusing city letterhead.

"A Canadian mayor was ordered out of office Monday after a judge found he used city letterhead to fundraise for his high-school football team," wrote The Daily Mail.

The British tabloid, which seems to love outrage as much as it loves stories about celebs with cellulite, was a little bit off on the facts.

While a mayor being fired for using the wrong stationary makes a sexy headline, it isn't accurate. Ford broke the Municipal Conflict of Interest Law because he took part in a council vote in which he had money at stake.

The vote came after Ford had raised \$3,150 for his football foundation, which the integrity commissioner found was improper; not only because he used city letterhead and staff, but because the donors were lobbyists and a corporation that does business with the city.

That didn't get him booted. It was breaking the conflict of interest law, by taking part in a vote to absolve him of paying back that money to the lobbyists and corporate donors, that did him in.



Mayor Rob Ford gets up after falling down on the turf while attempting a throw during Grey Cup celebrations at Nathan Phillips Square on Nov. 20. The video of Ford's fall was widely viewed. RANDY RISLING/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Other international sites made less of the facts and focused more on Ford's oversized character.

BuzzFeed kept it simple, writing quite correctly that Ford was "kicked out of office by a judge for breaking conflict-of-interest laws," and quipping, "He's been the biggest character in Canadian politics for years."

BuzzFeed then listed the eight humorous things you need to know about him, including, "He was once busted with weed in his car in Flor-

Comedic commentary

"He's been the biggest character in Canadian politics for years."

A quip by a writer at popular website BuzzFeed, who wrote a post on Rob Ford's ouster, and eight humorous facts about him.

ida," "He ran a reporter out of Toronto's City Hall for calling him a "fat f***," and "The special guest at his swearing-in was a hockey commentator who wore an elaborate

pink jacket and blasted 'left-wing pinkos.'" A.k.a. Don Cherry.

Stories about Ford's ouster made the news in multiple outlets in the United States, Europe, China, Vietnam and Argentina.

The notoriety comes less than a week after Ford got international notice for falling down while trying to throw a football. An animated gif of his tumble was linked to by 1,490 sites around the world at press time, according to Google.

Street smarts

Many in Toronto know the score

In a completely unscientific poll of 25 Torontonians at Yonge and Bloor Tuesday morning, many (44 per cent) knew that Ford's judicial undoing came because he took part in a vote to excuse himself from having to pay back donors to his football foundation.

Almost as many (36 per cent) went with the Daily Mail's explanation: it was the letterhead that did him in. Others bought some of our made-up answers.

Why did a judge order Rob Ford's seat on council vacated?

A: Ford had missed too many council meetings in order to coach football. (0 %)

B: Ford misused city resources by ordering two TTC buses to drop off their passengers and pick up his football team. (16 %)

C: Ford used city letterhead to solicit donations for his football foundation. (36 %)

D: Ford voted on a motion excusing himself from having to pay back donors to his football foundation. (44 %)

E: Ford libeled a Beaches restaurateur who insulted his football team. (4 %)

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Ten-minute grace period

Council to highlight parking ticket rules

City council has vowed to do a better job of letting people know they can fight a parking ticket if it was issued shortly after the meter expired.

While council decided in July that people should not have to pay a ticket issued within 10 minutes after the

meter expires, the new policy is not widely advertised, said Coun. Josh Matlow.

Council voted to ensure the 10-minute grace period and other elements of the city's Parking Ticket Cancellation Guidelines are highlighted on the city's website.

The city issued 2.8 million tickets last year worth \$80 million, netting the city \$21 million after expenses. About 138,000 tickets were cancelled. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Miss Popular

Chow leads polls

Federal MP Olivia Chow would win every multiple-candidate match-up in a mayoral election, no matter who was running against her, according to a poll conducted by Forum Research Inc. hours after Mayor Rob Ford was ordered removed from office. The poll asked 807 residents to choose the front runner in

a number of "trial heats" with various combinations of Rob Ford, Doug Ford, Doug Holyday, councillors Adam Vaughan and Shelley Carol, and Chow. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



Olivia Chow
THE CANADIAN PRESS

The roof is on fire, almost

Man lights firecracker in Niagara casino, no one injured

A Burlington, Ont., man is facing charges after a firecracker went off inside a Niagara Falls casino this weekend and hit another man on the head.

Provincial police say a

sky rocket-type firecracker was set off and released down a hallway in the Galleria, a shopping mall inside the Fallsview Casino, just after 1 a.m. Sunday.

They say a patron was struck but did not require medical attention.

Stanley King, 29, has been charged with assault with a weapon and mischief.

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Ford: 'I respect the court's decision'

Contrite? Ford apologizes to those who believe he 'should have done this differently'

Hours after being told he is banned from any byelection to replace himself, a contrite-sounding Mayor Rob Ford apologized to Torontonians while maintaining he is guilty only of wanting to help kids play football.

His administration in crisis, a dour Ford said at city hall that his decision to appeal a judge's ruling — that he breached conflict-of-interest laws and will be kicked out of office on Dec. 10 — is not a criticism of the court.

"This entire matter began because I love to help kids play football," the croaky-voiced mayor said of his decision to speak and vote at council last February on whether he had to repay \$3,150 in improperly solicited lobbyists' donations to his private football charity.

"I never believed there was

All about the kids



Mayor Rob Ford

"This entire matter began because I love to help kids play football."

a conflict of interest because I had nothing to gain and the city had nothing to lose," Ford said. In February he told council he would have had to pay the \$3,150 "out of my own pocket."

"But I respect the court's decision," Ford continued. "Looking back, maybe I could have expressed myself in a different way. To everyone who believes I should have done this differently, I sincerely apologize."

Other councillors said they are willing to let the process play out and let Ford remain in place during the legal manoeuvring.

Joe Mihevic, a left-leaning councillor often at odds with

the conservative Ford administration, called for calm, saying council is "trying to hold it together ... during these troubled times."

"We are not in a crisis. We are in very, very rough waters right now," Mihevic said, adding Torontonians should be reassured that there is a process "pathway" to ensure that, should Ford be removed, council will ensure Toronto gets a new mayor. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Old friend with a new take

Former Ford ally Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti called on Ford to consider not appealing the judgment, or to step down and let Deputy Mayor Doug Holyday take over until the appeal is concluded.

- "Yesterday was about the mayor. Today it's about the City of Toronto, and we all have to do what's right for the City of Toronto," said Mammoliti.



Bad day for Ford on and off the field

Mayor Rob Ford enters the field at the Rogers Centre just before the beginning of the Metro Bowl where his team, Don Bosco CSS, lost 28-14 to Huron Heights on Tuesday. **VINCE TALOTTA/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Mayor-less and premier-less, show goes on



Toronto Mayor Rob Ford leaves his office. **BERNARD WEIL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

The city is essentially mayor-less. The province is practically premier-less. These are odd times for Toronto.

And yet, after stunning news that our mayor is to be ejected from his seat, the subways kept working, the garbage was collected — there was a distinct lack of chaos.

True, it will be two weeks before Rob Ford's expulsion could take effect, longer if he wins another stay, and lengthier still if an appeal is granted.

But there's another reason Torontonians won't see much of a change in their day-to-day life: Ford is more figurehead

than power-wielding politician, as was every mayor before him.

"When you woke up this morning, the fact that our mayor has been turfed from office ... what real effect is it going to have?" said John Mascarin, a Toronto municipal lawyer. "Nothing is going to overturn overnight."

The job description defines the mayor as a leader, someone who presides at council meetings and represents the city when dealing with other governments. "But it doesn't give him any larger role than that," Mascarin said. "Really, the mayor is just one vote," making him

Reality check

"Really, the mayor is just one vote."

John Mascarin, a Toronto municipal lawyer

just as powerful as any other representative on council.

That's how it's laid down in Ontario's Municipal Act, which outlines how cities govern themselves, and it's a standard setup. Only in select U.S. cities does a mayor exert more influence than councillors.

In Toronto, however, the mayor has some sway, because

he or she can form the executive, granting the ability to centralize the power base.

"The mayor does drive policy to a certain extent," said Tony Fleming, a specialist in municipal law. "But at the end of the day, unless the mayor can get a majority of councillors to agree with his or her view or position on an issue, it doesn't move forward."

It's no secret Ford struggled to galvanize councillors sympathetic to his views and lost important battles in council — most notably, his failed campaign for more subway lines.

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Beloved father and teacher remembered at memorial

Tom Samson. Friends and family gathered Tuesday to honour victim of tragic hit-and-run while riding his bike

Tom Samson spoke a unique language only children could understand and his widowed wife relied upon to raise their kids.

It was a language of patience, of playfulness and tender guidance that allowed him to be an ideal father and beloved teacher.

He perfected it with his 4-year-old son Oscar and daughter Evora, 7, and extended it to his Grade 2 students at Swansea Public School.

His wife Kasia wept Tuesday as she spoke about her husband to nearly 500 people gathered at Wychwood Barns for his memorial service.

Samson, 35, died Friday in a tragic hit-and-run near Davenport Road and Lansdowne Avenue. He was riding his bike to meet friends for breakfast before heading to work.

Miguel Oliveira, 22, turned himself in Saturday and is being charged with failing to

Respect for Cyclists

Tom Samson will be remembered by the school Friday with an afternoon memorial service and release of balloons in his honour.

- Also on Friday, Advocacy for Respect for Cyclists will be holding a memorial bike ride, starting at the south-east corner of Bloor St., and Spadina Ave., around 6:30 p.m.

remain at the scene of an accident causing death.

Evora and Oscar nibbled on chocolate chip cookies as their mother stood over their father's casket in the same building he took them to every Saturday for the farmer's market.

"Tom was intuitive with children," said Kasia, looking toward her kids.

As she gathered herself, her sister Maggie wrapped her arms around Oscar and Evora, tears running down her cheeks.

Their cookies now done, the children clinched two bright blue Swansea emblems given to them earlier in honour of their father.

Swansea principle Karen Ridley presented the emblems,

explaining they're awarded to students for accomplishments, many that Samson helped with.

Samson, who found his calling in teaching, was a popular instructor at Swansea, where he coached basketball and chess.

His young students were often sprawled on the floor, immersed in whatever new, creative project he'd thought up — like the ocean he posted outside his classroom last year.

Every week, his students would add more "life" to the ocean, an exercise that got the best out of them. He understood kids because the kid inside him was alive and well.

Remembered for his goofy humour, Samson — to students' delight — used a gadget to playfully greet other teachers with applause or laughs in the main office.

For Halloween, he came dressed as Psy, gladly performing the popular "Gangnam style" dance for any student looking to share a laugh.

His dedication to Swansea and its students was only unmatched by his devotion to Oscar and Evora, whom he spoke fondly of with colleagues, telling them how excited he was to get home and see them.

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Tom Samson, who was killed Friday morning while riding his bike to school, with his wife Kasia in a recent photo. The family asked that the wife's face not be recognizable. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO/DAN SAMSON

\$10,000 raised for woman hoping to ride again



Santanna Marrocco exercises her horse Eddie with her husband Dan and best friend Tracy at a stable just outside of Bolton. RANDY RISLING/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Santanna Marrocco's bid for a specialized saddle is off to the races.

Stewart Maguire's Landing pub in Bolton was packed Sunday night as the community gathered to help the 26-year-old get back on the horse.

Marrocco is a bilateral amputee — she lost both legs after a severe car accident outside of Nobleton in December 2010.

An animal lover and avid equestrian, Marrocco is hoping to get a custom-made saddle so she can safely get back to riding.

Quoted

"She really is a very special young lady, and she really has inspired a lot of people."

Donna Sampson, a friend of Santanna Marrocco's mother who organized a fundraiser to help cover the cost of a \$10,000 custom-made saddle.

But the saddle, which will be engineered to support her amputated legs and provide extra stability, comes at a premium: up to \$10,000.

Donna Sampson, a friend of Marrocco's mother, organized the fundraiser to help cover the cost.

At last count, it did much more than that.

"We're at \$9,902," Sampson said gleefully, adding she still needed to collect on more auction items, which will tip the donations over \$10,000.

At least 300 people attended the event, which included a si-

lent auction and performances by local bands.

"It was really nice to see everybody there," said Marrocco, who admits she was overwhelmed at the number of people there supporting her.

"It was a much bigger turnout than I thought it would be, and there were tons of different people that I haven't seen in years," she said.

Marrocco hopes the money will help speed up the process of getting the saddle made. She's aiming to be back riding in the new year.

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To Be or Not to Be

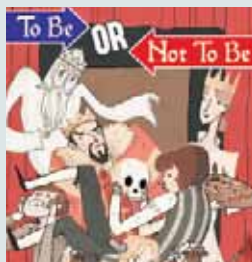
Toronto-based comic book writer raises \$150K in 6 days

A Toronto-based comic book writer has written a choose-your-own adventure version of Shakespeare's Hamlet filled with vengeful ghosts, pirate sword fights and illustrations of over a hundred different ways

your character can meet his fate.

Ryan North launched his project on Kickstarter, a crowd-funding site, on Nov. 21 with the goal of raising \$20,000. It took just three hours to raise the money. As of Tuesday morning, less than a week since he took his book online, it has raised almost \$150,000 — with 23 days still left to contribute.

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The cover of Ryan North's illustrated book, To Be or Not to Be. The art is by Noelle Stevenson. CONTRIBUTED

'Healer'?

Man charged with posing as a witch doctor

Toronto police say that a 40-year-old man posing as a "witch doctor" took a woman for \$14,000 over several sessions by convincing her that he could lift a curse on her life. He had convinced her that the recurring headaches

she was experiencing marked her for death, police say.

Police say that a man advertised on radio and in print his services as a "healer." A 56-year-old woman heard through word of mouth about the services, according to Det. Const. James Turnbull.

On Tuesday, Gustavo Valencia Gomez of Mississauga was arrested and charged with pretending to practice witchcraft.

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Young fan's green jersey made a school vice-principal see red

Grey Cup mix-up. It was a pep rally for the Stampeders' big date, but 13-year-old student turned up in a Roughriders jersey



JEREMY NOLAÏS
Metro in Calgary

It all started with a Saskatchewan Roughriders jersey.

It ended with Calgary's Catholic school district apologizing to one of its students and her parents.

Because the student, Alesandra Behr, was temporarily withheld from a Grey Cup pep rally for wearing that Roughriders jersey.

Behr, 13, said the vice-principal at her school in the city's northwest initially told

her she would be barred from the festivities last Friday unless she changed.

"I thought it was really stupid," Behr said.

She estimated she spent 45 minutes in the principal's office before the whole affair was sorted out.

"I don't feel like it's right, what they did ... they say stand up for what you believe in, and when they tell you that's not right, you feel like you have done something wrong," Behr said.

After learning what had happened, the school's principal intervened "immediately" and Behr was allowed to participate for the entire duration of the pep rally, said Catholic school spokesperson Janet Corsten.

"It was a temporary, misguided judgment on the part of the staff member at the school," Corsten said.

"It was corrected immediately by the principal ... most importantly, all students were able to fully participate in the rally."

Behr said she did miss preparations for the event, which was attended by a local television news station, including the choreographing

A family affair

Alesandra Behr says she was born and bred a Saskatchewan Roughriders fan.

- **Oh, Dad!** Her father, Jason, has held Calgary Stampeders season tickets for 13 years.
- **Hush!** Alesandra's parents asked that the name of her school and its vice-principal be withheld as they wanted to avoid personal attacks.

of a pro-Calgary Stampeders dance routine.

Behr's parents were quick to commend the school for resolving the matter and apologizing.

But her father, Jason, maintains the misunderstanding should never have occurred in the first place.

"She wasn't violating the dress code or anything," he said.

Behr, meanwhile, said she has given no thought to trading in her green-and-white Riders garb for the Stampeders' red.



Alesandra Behr says she was born and bred a Saskatchewan Roughriders fan — and here she wears that iconic green jersey with pride. (That rally, of course, didn't help the Stampeders win the cup.) JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO IN CALGARY

Quoted

"She should be allowed to express herself freely."

Alesandra's father, Jason Behr

Twitter must address privacy fears, MP says



Charlie Angus has given up using Twitter. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tweet this, Twitter fans.

NDP MP Charlie Angus says Canadians need to know more about how the social media giant protects their privacy.

Angus publicly quit using the microblogging site earlier this year, likening it to being badgered by a drunk on a 24-hour bus ride.

But he says a House of Commons study on privacy

and social media requires the company's input.

A Commons committee decided last May to study the steps being taken by social media companies to protect the personal information of Canadians.

It followed some high-profile interventions by Canada's privacy commissioner on the use of personal data by sites such as

Google and Facebook.

Both companies have appeared before the committee, but NDP MP Charmaine Borg says Twitter refused.

The company couldn't immediately be reached for comment.

The committee has now agreed to send a formal letter asking Twitter to testify.

Angus said Google and Facebook have supported

the study, but the committee needs to go further.

"We're not going to have a full sense unless we have the main players," said Angus. "We need Twitter."

The motion to formally call Twitter to testify came after a representative from Facebook took committee members through that company's privacy policies.

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Ireland to decide on abortions

Legal framework.

Government addresses issue of abortions for life-threatening pregnancies

Ireland published an experts' report Tuesday recommending that the government define when a woman in a life-threatening pregnancy can receive an abortion — a major national issue since the death of an Indian woman in an Irish hospital last month.

The report represents Ireland's slow official response to a 2010 European Court of Human Rights ruling that existing Irish laws did not ensure that women in life-threatening pregnancies could receive an abortion.

Ireland has a constitutional ban on abortion, but such terminations have been technically legal in Ireland since a 1992 Irish Supreme Court ruling. Several governments have since refused to pass backing legislation, leaving doctors unsure when they can actually perform them without facing

International outrage

Savita Halappanavar, a woman 17 weeks pregnant, died Oct. 28 one week after being admitted to a Galway hospital suffering from severe pain.

- Halappanavar was quickly diagnosed with an imminent miscarriage but doctors refused her pleas for an abortion because the doomed fetus still had a heartbeat.

lawsuits or criminal prosecution for murder.

Health Minister James Reilly said the government would choose an option next month outlined in the experts' report. "We will not allow this issue to drag on," he said. Reilly then accidentally appeared to show the government's hand, saying legislation would be passed "as quickly as possible."

The point is politically significant, because the experts said government could choose to draft medical regulations that did not require lawmakers' approval. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Abortion-rights protesters bearing pictures of Savita Halappanavar march through Dublin on Nov. 17, demanding Ireland's government ensure abortions can be performed to save a woman's life. SHAWN POGATCHNIK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Activists highlight 'naked truth' about AIDS spending cuts

Naked AIDS activists, saying they wanted to highlight the "naked truth" about potential spending cuts in HIV programs, protest inside the Capitol Hill office of House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio on Tuesday, prior to World AIDS Day on Dec. 1. Three women activists, who had linked arms with four men who also disrobed as part of the protest, were arrested after taking their clothes off in the lobby of Boehner's office. The protest occurred as congressional leaders and President Barack Obama seek a deal to avert automatic spending cuts and tax increases in January. **SUSAN WALSH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sex allegations. Third man makes claims against Elmo puppeteer

A Florida man has sued the ex-Elmo puppeteer who resigned amid sex allegations, saying the voice actor met him in New York after trolling gay telephone chat lines seeking underage boys for sex.

The lawsuit seeking unspecified damages was filed in Manhattan federal court Tuesday by a man who remains anonymous.

The man says he met Kevin Clash on a chat line when he was 16 years old in 2000 and

exploring modelling opportunities in New York.

The lawsuit says Clash had numerous Elmo dolls in his apartment when he met the teen for sex.

The man, now 29, is the third to make claims against Clash, who resigned from Sesame Street last week after 28 years.

A spokeswoman says Clash "believes this lawsuit has no merit."

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Animal attack. Zoo calendar features dogs that fatally mauled boy

The Pittsburgh Zoo is featuring the animals that fatally mauled a two-year-old boy earlier this year on the March page of its 2013 calendar.

Zoo officials say the calendars featuring pictures of African painted dogs had already been printed and made available to patrons before the Nov. 4 death of Maddox Derkosh.

The boy died after falling off a railing and into the animals' habitat, where he

was attacked.

Zoo President Barbara Baker tells the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review that officials considered scrapping the calendars after the boy's death but they'd already been on sale beforehand.

Baker says the dogs are an endangered species the zoo is responsible for helping protect.

The exhibit remains closed to the public.

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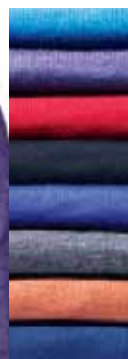
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Chanting, "Leave, leave!" Egyptians took over Cairo's Tahrir Square on Tuesday, demonstrating against President Mohammed Morsi. The square was the birthplace of the uprising against former president Hosni Mubarak.

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Protesters decry Morsi's power grab

They're back. Arab Spring slogans heard again in Egypt after president grants himself more power

More than 200,000 people packed Cairo's central Tahrir Square on Tuesday, chanting against Egypt's Islamist president in a powerful show of strength demanding Mohammed Morsi revoke edicts granting himself near autocratic powers.

With the mass protests in Tahrir Square and in several other cities — comparable in

size to those during last year's uprising that overthrew Hosni Mubarak — opposition to the decrees issued last week turned into a broader outpouring of anger against the rule of Morsi and his Muslim Brotherhood.

Waving Egypt's red, white and black flags, crowds of protesters marched across Cairo to stream into the iconic central plaza, birthplace of the anti-Mubarak uprising. By the evening, it was thronging with a massive crowd. Clashes broke out in several cities as Morsi's opponents tried to attack offices of the Brotherhood, setting fire to at least one.

Ringling out at Tahrir was the central chant of the Arab Spring revolts: "The people want to bring down the regime," and "erhal, erhal" — Arabic for "leave, leave."

"Suddenly, Morsi is issuing laws and becoming the absolute ruler, holding all powers in his hands," said protester Mona Sadek, a 31-year-old

'Revolution hijacked'

Protest organizers on a stage in the square called for another mass rally on Friday.

- If the Brotherhood responds with mass rallies of its own it would raise the prospect of greater violence after a series of clashes in recent days.
- Raafat Magdi, an engineer, said, "The Brotherhood hijacked the revolution."

engineering graduate who wears the Islamic veil, a hallmark of piety. "Our revolt against the decrees became a protest against the Brotherhood as well," she said. Morsi's edicts effectively neutralize the judiciary, the only branch of government in a position to balance Morsi.

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Morsi 'won't back down'

"We are not rescinding the declaration."

Gehad el-Haddad, adviser to the Brotherhood and its political party. He said the opposition was "very divided" and Morsi would not back down.

Syria. Assad regime bombs olive oil factory, killing 20 civilians, activists say

Syrian warplanes bombed an olive oil factory packed with farmers Tuesday, killing at least 20 people in the latest regime strike to rip through a crowd of civilians, activists said.

The bombing comes as the civil war takes a devastating toll on an already beleaguered population. Human Rights Watch said it found "compelling evidence" that the regime used cluster bombs in an airstrike that killed at least 11 children ear-

lier this week.

It was not immediately clear whether the olive press was the intended target, or if the plane misfired. The government generally does not comment on rebel claims and there was no official reaction to the latest allegations.

But two anti-regime activist groups said the factory was hit Tuesday near the northern city of Idlib. Dozens had gathered to have their olives pressed when the warplanes struck. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tunisia

Protest leads to clashes with cops

A strike by Tunisians protesting government neglect has degenerated into clashes with police that have left 14 people wounded.

Witnesses and the state news agency reported that residents of the central town of Siliana went on a general strike Tuesday and marched through the streets, demanding more government funds and development.

Police fired tear gas after demonstrators threw stones. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Former residents of N.S. orphanage fight for inquiry

Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children. Petition with more than 1,000 signatures calls for immediate public look at abuse allegations

Former residents of a Halifax orphanage took their fight for a public inquiry into long-standing allegations of abuse to the provincial legislature Tuesday, where they presented a petition in support of their cause.

About 50 former residents of the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children delivered the document containing more than 1,000 signatures calling for immediate government action.

Tracey Dorrington-Skinner, a spokeswoman for the group, said the government needs to know that the former residents believe an inquiry is essential in order for them to heal and get justice. "We're not prepared to back down," she said. "At the end of the day, we will get justice one way or the other."

Physical- and sexual-abuse

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More than 100 people are now part of the class-action suit, which was filed earlier this year against the home and the provincial government. The majority of the claims are decades old.

allegations against staff at the home, which is now a short-term residential facility for children of all races, first came to light more than a decade ago. But no charges have been laid.

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Keeping calm and carrying on

A woman carries her dog and a man hauls belongings as they make their way through flood waters in St. Asaph, North Wales, Tuesday, after the town flooded overnight. Thousands of drivers and residents face further chaos today after heavy rain continued to fall across Britain. DAVE THOMPSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mexico

Judge orders return of 3 U.S.-born kids to their deported Mexican father

A North Carolina judge has ordered three U.S.-born children to be reunited with their deported Mexican father. Social-services officials

had sought to terminate the parental rights of Felipe Montes, who crossed the border illegally in 2003 to work on Christmas-tree farms near the mountain town of Sparta. Montes later married a U.S. citizen and the couple had three sons.

Tuesday's ruling potentially clears the way for the children to live with their father in El Encino, a small village in the Mexican state of Tamaulipas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Halifax

Man acquitted of voyeurism charges

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UN. France plans to say 'oui' to resolution on Palestinian statehood

France announced Tuesday that it plans to vote in favour of recognizing a Palestinian state at the UN General Assembly this week.

With the announcement, France becomes the first major European country to come out in favour, dealing a setback to Israel. The timing of the announcement appears aimed at swaying other European nations.

Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius told parliament that France has long supported Palestinian ambitions for statehood and "will respond

Proceed with caution

"It's only through negotiations ... that we will be able to reach the realization of a Palestinian state."

French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius

"yes" when the issue comes up for a vote "out of a concern for coherency."

The Palestinians say the assembly is likely to vote Thursday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Ceasefire

Israel seeks to lift workers ban

Israel's envoy to the Philippines Ambassador Menashe Bar-on said Tuesday that he will ask the government to lift a ban on the deployment of Filipino workers to Israel following the end of heavy fighting between Israeli and Hamas forces. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Hungary

Racist remarks condemned

Lawmakers wore yellow stars and hundreds of protesters rallied on Tuesday to condemn a far-right politician who called for the screening of Jews for national security risks, part of a wave of racist comments from the Jobbik party. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Arafat's political heirs open his grave for new probe



A Palestinian woman walks past a mural of late Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Gaza City. **ADEL HANA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

8 years later.

Samples taken to test for evidence the late Palestinian leader was poisoned

Eight years after Yasser Arafat's mysterious death, his political heirs opened his grave Tuesday and let forensics experts take samples from his remains, defying strong cultural taboos, in search of evidence that the icon of Palestinian nationalism was poisoned.

Polonium-210

The radioactive substance was found on Arafat's clothing this past summer.

- **Inconclusive.** Polonium disintegrates rapidly, and experts have cautioned that too much time may have passed since Arafat's death to reach a definitive result.

Palestinians have claimed for years that Israel poisoned Arafat, who died in a French hospital. Israel has denied the charges.

The exhumation marked the end of months of procedural wrangling but only the beginning of the testing. Palestinian officials said it would take at least three months to get results, and even then, they might not be conclusive.

Workers opened Arafat's tomb before daybreak Tuesday, laying bare the remains some four metres below ground level, the Palestinian health minister said. A Palestinian forensics examiner took some 20 samples and handed them to Swiss, French and Russian experts, officials said.

Sheets of blue tarpaulin draped over the mausoleum hid the scene from view, part of an attempt by Palestinian officials to minimize any potential backlash against digging up the grave of Arafat, still widely revered in the Palestinian territories. By mid-morning, the grave was resealed. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sexiest man? Chinese paper falls for spoof

The online version of China's Communist Party newspaper has hailed a report by The Onion naming North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un as the "Sexiest Man Alive" — not realizing it is satire.

The People's Daily ran a 55-page photo spread on its website in a tribute to the round-faced leader, under the headline "North Korea's top leader named The Onion's Sexiest Man Alive for 2012."

Quoting The Onion's spoof

report, the Chinese newspaper wrote, "With his devastatingly handsome, round face, his boyish charm, and his strong, sturdy frame, this Pyongyang-bred heartthrob is every woman's dream come true."

"Blessed with an air of power that masks an unmistakable cute, cuddly side, Kim made this newspaper's editorial board swoon with his impeccable fashion sense, chic short hairstyle, and, of

course, that famous smile," the People's Daily cited The Onion as saying.

In 2002, the Beijing Evening News, one of the capital city's biggest tabloids at the time, published as news the fictional account that the U.S. Congress wanted a new building and that it might leave Washington. The Onion article was a spoof of the way sports teams threaten to leave cities in order to get new stadiums. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Bangladesh workers struggle to air complaints

Deadly factory blaze.

Fleeing workers found main exit locked and no emergency exit; survivor said managers told workers to get back to work after fire alarm went off

Just business?

- Wal-Mart says it decided to stop doing business with Tazreen after an audit deemed the factory "high risk" last year, but a supplier subcontracted work to the factory anyway. The retail giant said it stopped working with that supplier on Monday.
- In September, Karl-Johan Persson, chief executive of Swedish retail chain H&M, visited Bangladesh and said his 2,600-store group would increase its business relationship with the country.

Clothing is king in Bangladesh, which exports more garments than any other in the world except China. It is responsible for four out of every five export dollars and has turned factory owners into members of parliament and leaders of sports clubs.

However, workers in those factories complain about poor working conditions and pay that can be less than \$40 a month. An agency called the Industrial Police is specifically assigned to deal with unrest in factories, and labour activists accuse government forces of killing one of their leaders. Employees are barred by law from forming trade unions, even though Bangladesh allows workers in other industries to unionize.

Workers hope that could change following the fire Saturday that killed 112 people at the Tazreen Fashions factory that made T-shirts and polo shirts for Walmart and other retailers.

In an interview Tuesday, the managing director of Tazreen Fashions expressed concern — about possibly losing foreign buyers. But there was no mention in the article of concern for victims or their families. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Bangladeshi garments workers march through a street to mourn the death of the victims of Saturday's fire in a garment factory, on the outskirts of Dhaka, Bangladesh, on Tuesday. KHURSHED RINKU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Facebook arrests

Two Mumbai cops suspended

Two senior policemen have been suspended indefinitely for arresting two women over a Facebook post criticizing the shutdown of Mumbai for the funeral of a powerful politician.

The magistrate who registered the case against the women has been transferred to another district.

Police also arrested nine

men who vandalized a medical clinic run by the uncle of one of the women.

One of the women had posted a Facebook comment complaining that Mumbai had come to a standstill after the death of right-wing leader Bal Thackeray. Her friend "liked" the post.

Their arrest last week was seen as a misuse of Internet laws and an attempt to curb freedom of expression. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Diagram suggests Iran testing weapons

Calculating force.
Leaked document
shows simulations
of potential nuclear
explosives

Iranian scientists have run computer simulations for a nuclear weapon that would produce more than triple the explosive force of the Second

World War bomb that destroyed Hiroshima, according to a diagram obtained by The Associated Press.

The undated diagram was leaked by officials from a country critical of Iran's atomic program to bolster their arguments that Iran's nuclear program must be halted before it produces a weapon. The officials provided the diagram only on condition that they and their country not be

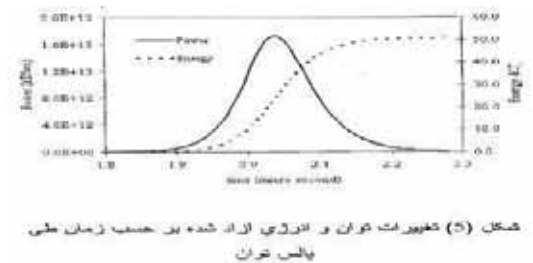
named.

The International Atomic Energy Agency — the Vienna-based UN nuclear watchdog — reported last year that it had obtained diagrams indicating that Iran was calculating the “nuclear explosive yield” of potential weapons. A senior diplomat who is considered neutral on the issue confirmed that the graph obtained by The Associated Press was indeed one of those cited by the IAEA

in that report. He spoke only on condition of anonymity.

David Albright, whose Institute for Science and International Security is used by the U.S. government as a go-to source on Iran's nuclear program, said the diagram looks genuine but seems to be designed more “to understand the process” than as part of a blueprint for an actual weapon in the making.

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The undated diagram that was given to The Associated Press allegedly calculating the explosive force of a nuclear weapon. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Submarine's second life

Crews work to move the HMCS Ojibwa from a barge onto land on Tuesday in Port Burwell, Ont., where the Cold War-era sub is to be turned into a museum. GEOFF ROBINS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

WikiLeaks

Assange pushes for credit card company probe

WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange has urged the European Union to reverse its decision not to launch an anti-trust probe of U.S. credit card companies after they blocked donations to the secret-spilling website.

Visa and MasterCard were among half a dozen U.S. payment firms to start the financial blockade just after the group published some 250,000 secret State Department cables in December 2010.

Assange says they imposed the blockade at the instigation of “right-wing extremists” in the U.S. Congress. He was speaking via videoconference from Ecuador's embassy in London, where he has been living. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nuclear weapons

Hackers of watchdog site identified

The International Atomic Energy Agency acknowledged Tuesday that one of its servers had been hacked after a previously unknown group critical of Israel's undeclared nuclear weapons program posted contact details for more than 100 experts working for the UN nuclear watchdog.

A group called Parastoo — Farsi for the swallow bird and a common Iranian girl's name — claimed responsibility for posting the names on its website two days ago.

The hackers urged the experts whose names they published to sign a petition demanding an “open investigation” into Israel's nuclear program.

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Politics. Tories hold on to Calgary Centre in neck-and-neck race

Byelections.

Conservatives also win in Durham; NDP beat out Greens in Victoria

No comment

Crockatt had run a tight campaign, eschewing media interviews for what her staff said was door-knocking and talking to residents face-to-face.

The tightest federal race in Calgary in nearly four decades gave Conservative Joan Crockatt the victory over her progressive rivals who split the vote in what was once considered a nearly impenetrable Tory stronghold.

The race in Calgary Centre, which has been held by the Conservative party for the past four decades, was the most watched among three federal byelections held Monday.

In the Ontario riding of Durham, once held by International Affairs Minister Bev Oda, who retired after her pricey expense accounts were made public, the Conservatives held on to their seat handily.

New Democrat candidate Murray Rankin claimed the win in Victoria, narrowly defeating Green rival Donald Galloway.

Crockatt, normally a talk-

ative Conservative commentator, declined most media interviews throughout the race, which has turned out to be the story of the rise of the progressive voice in the riding.

A former editor with the Calgary Herald, Crockatt led in opinion polls, but her opponents made much of the fact that many Progressive Conservatives leaned away from her and polls showed that the number of non-conservative voters outflanked her.

The Liberal candidate, Harvey Locke, had the support of a group that called itself PCs for Harvey Locke.

The Green party also touted that it was drawing in voters who had worked on previous Progressive Conservative campaigns. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE/**

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Anti-Alberta. Comments by prominent Grits 'probably' affected byelection: Redford

Anti-Alberta comments by Liberal leadership frontrunner Justin Trudeau and MP David McGuinty likely had an impact on a tight byelection race in Calgary, Premier Alison Redford said Tuesday.

"It may have had an impact — I would expect it probably did (have) an impact," she said after speaking at a conference.

"But more importantly, on a moving-forward basis, I would just suggest to anyone in politics that it's better to be constructive than divisive."

Trudeau apologized last week for comments he made in a 2010 interview, where he blamed Canada's problems on Albertans controlling "our com-

munity and socio-democratic agenda." McGuinty — brother of Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty — resigned his critic's portfolio after being quoted calling Alberta MPs "shills" for the oil industry and suggesting they "go home" and run for town council if they want to be so parochial.

The comments appeared to stall Liberal momentum in Calgary Centre. But that doesn't necessarily mean that the Liberals are moribund in Western Canada.

"There's always room, I think, for new ideas and new perspectives and we'll see what happens in the next year," Redford said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Federal Liberal Party leadership contender Justin Trudeau took flak for comments he made in 2010 about Albertans "controlling the economy" being to blame for Canada's woes. **RICHARD LAM/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Who's your sperm donor? Kids don't need to know, court says

Overturned. Court of appeal denies right of children to seek sperm donor identity through doctors' records

The B.C. Court of Appeal has thrown out an earlier decision that sided with a woman who wanted to know the identity of her sperm donor father.

Olivia Pratten wanted offspring like herself to be treated the same as people who are adopted and argued that the B.C. government should change its laws accordingly.

But the appeal court ruled there is no legal right for offspring to know their past and providing such information would amount to state intrusion into many people's lives.

The court said there are plenty of non-donor offspring who don't know their family history or the identity of their biological father because of decisions made by others or the circumstances of their conception.

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Donor offspring Olivia Pratten outside the B.C. Supreme Court in Vancouver in 2010. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The earlier decision

- In May 2011, a B.C. Supreme Court judge agreed with Pratten, giving the province 15 months to amend its Adoption Act, saying people who are deprived of their genetic backgrounds suffer psychological harm.
- Pratten spent years trying to learn her biological father's identity, only to learn her mother's fertility specialist destroyed the records and then provided her with contradicting information.

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The colossus of Chernobyl

26 years later. A \$1.3-billion arch will wipe out memories of the world's worst nuclear accident

They're covering up the ghosts of Chernobyl.

Workers have raised the first section of a colossal arch-shaped structure that eventually will cover the exploded nuclear reactor at the Chernobyl power station.

Project officials on Tuesday hailed the raising as a significant step in a complex effort to clean up the consequences of the 1986 explosion — the world's worst nuclear accident.

Upon completion, the shelter will be moved on tracks over the building containing the destroyed reactor, allowing work to begin on dismantling the reactor and disposing of radioactive waste.

Quoted

"I think this (shelter) will be so impressive that even in 100 years people will come to look at it."

Igor Gramotkin,
plant director.

Suma Chakrabati, president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, which is leading the project, called Tuesday a "significant milestone."

It is a tribute, Chakrabati said, "to the ongoing commitment of the international donor community, and an important step toward overcoming the legacy of the accident."

The shelter, shaped like a gargantuan Quonset hut, will be 257 metres by 150 metres when completed and at its apex will be higher than the Statue of Liberty.

Officials who showed re-

porters around the construction site Tuesday were clearly delighted at the colossus taking shape, but concerned about the challenges ahead.

The shelter is to be moved over the reactor building by the end of 2015 — a deadline no one wants to miss given that the so-called sarcophagus hastily built over the reactor building after the 1986 explosion has an estimated service life of about 30 years.

The arch now under construction is only one of two segments that will eventually form the shelter, and so far it has only been raised to a height of 22 metres.

More structural elements have to be added before it reaches its full height, and the work so far has taken seven months.

"There's no room for error ... the schedule is very tight," said Vince Novak, director of the EBRD's nuclear safety department, who added staying within budget is also a concern.

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Where children once played: An abandoned kindergarten remains rubble-strewn in the deserted city of Pripjat, which was built to house the workers at the doomed nuclear power station. EFREM LUKATSKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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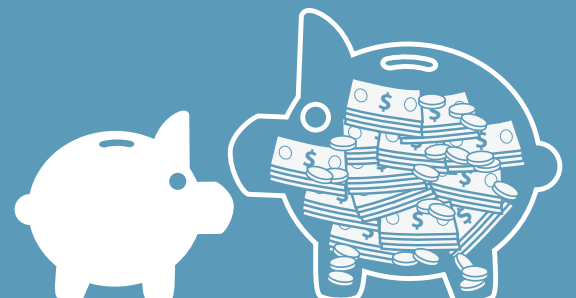
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- **The ghost town.** A 30-kilometre area directly around the plant remains largely off-limits and the town of Pripyat, where the plant's workers once lived, today

is a ghostly ruin of deteriorating apartment towers.

- **The sorry victims.** At least 28 people have died of acute radiation sickness from close exposure to the shattered reactor.
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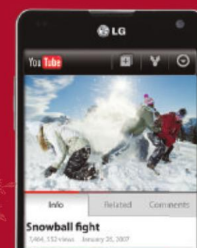
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Economy gets passing grade

Canada's economic expansion is continuing, but governments should be prepared to respond to possible foreign and domestic shocks that could send the recovery off track, a leading global organization warns.

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development gives mostly a passing grade to Canada's economy in a new outlook, but notes growth has been soft in the second half of 2012 and will remain so until mid-2013.

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Berlin

Google campaigns against levy

Google is launching a new campaign in Germany to protest against possible copyright restrictions being discussed in the country's parliament. The campaign opposes plans for a so-called Google Tax, a levy being pushed by publishers that would make search engines pay for linking to content like newspaper articles or pictures. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The Brick will pay \$2 million to settle class-action lawsuit

Montreal. Consumer rights group launched case over ad claims

The Brick Ltd. has agreed to pay \$2 million to settle a class-action lawsuit filed three years ago over claims the retailer's advertising erroneously suggested that customers pay no additional costs if they purchase goods on credit.

The Quebec Superior Court approved the settlement Tuesday in a suit launched by Option consommateurs, a Quebec consumer rights group.

The Brick's "Do not pay for 15 months" program in fact required a \$35 annual membership fee.

The furniture chain has agreed to reimburse customers who used this program before May 1, 2010. Customers who made purchases before May 1, 2009, will receive funds directly by mail in January. Other qualified customers must first complete a form on the website brickrecourscollectif.com as of the new year.

The Edmonton-based company earned \$18.7 million in profits in its latest quarter on \$368.5 million of revenues. It operates 162 corporate stores, down from 173 a year ago.

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A customer walks past a sign for The Brick furniture store in Toronto earlier this month. **THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE**

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Toronto-based Leon's Furniture Ltd. announced earlier this month that it would purchase The Brick for \$700 million.

Leon's said the deal would enhance the competitiveness of both chains in an increasingly gritty retail environment even though both banners will continue to fly separately.

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Facebook lawsuit. Claimant says his attorney wants to leave case over safety fears

A New York man claiming part ownership of Facebook indicated Tuesday that his lawyer wants off the case because he's received threats, but he opposed the lawyer's motion to withdraw.

"I appreciate the fear for his own safety that he has and the threats that have been made against him," Paul Ceglia of Wellsville, N.Y., said during a telephone conference to consider Ohio attorney Dean Boland's request to leave the case.

"Worse has happened to me," he said. He didn't elaborate.

But Ceglia said it would be hard to find another attorney for his two-year-old lawsuit, especially since his arrest last month on criminal charges accusing him of doctoring and destroying evidence to support his Facebook claim. He's pleaded not guilty.

Boland filed the request to withdraw last month, a few days after Ceglia's arrest on federal charges. He detailed his reasons in two private letters to the judge.

Quoted

"I appreciate the fear for his own safety that he has and the threats that have been made against him. Worse has happened to me."

Paul Ceglia, who claims part ownership of Facebook, about his lawyer's wish to withdraw from a lawsuit against the social-media giant

On Tuesday, Facebook attorney Orin Snyder asked that Boland's reasons be made public to determine whether "they might be overblown, exaggerated or worse."

Boland said he would stand by his belief that "I can no longer professionally and ethically represent Mr. Ceglia's interests over my own interests."

"I have to deal with my own life, my own career, my own existence," he said. At least a half dozen lawyers or law firms have withdrawn as Ceglia's attorney before Boland. Their reasons have not been publicly disclosed. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Attorney Dean Boland is shown at his office in Cleveland in this file photo. Boland is the most recent lawyer to seek permission to withdraw as attorney to Paul Ceglia, a New York man in a multibillion-dollar lawsuit against Facebook. **EUSTACIO HUMPHREY/THE PLAIN DEALER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Man sets himself on fire in Yemen to protest dispute with his Calgary-based employer

Medical officials say a Yemeni man, who was reportedly protesting a dispute with his Canadian employer, has set himself on fire outside the Cabinet building in the capital Sanaa.

The officials say Abdel-Hakim Hamoud Qasim is in

critical condition after Tuesday's self-immolation. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to brief reporters.

His cousin, Mohammed Qasim, says Abdel-Hakim was protesting a complaint

he had filed to the Ministry of Petroleum against Calgary-based oil and gas company Nexen, for which he worked as a driver for 16 years until 2006. Mohammed says his cousin was severely injured on the job in Yemen and only paid \$3,000 after

the accident. Nexen could not be immediately reached for comment.

A similar act of self-immolation in Tunisia last year helped trigger a series of uprisings in Arab countries, including Yemen.

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Gift cards. Swap site will trade unwanted plastic

If the idea of re-gifting never held much appeal for you, take heart: There are dedicated sites that make it easier to part ways with unwanted gift cards.

This holiday season, if you find yourself in possession of a card designated for a restaurant or retailer you don't like or frequent, you can trade it in for a card you do want.

Frances Ho, co-founder and COO of Canadian website CardSwap, said she had an epiphany around four years ago when she found herself with a wallet full of gift cards for specific stores where she couldn't find anything she really wanted to purchase. She sought to pinpoint an easier way to exchange the gift cards for cash or for other cards she'd be more inclined to use.

This Christmas will mark the fourth in operation for CardSwap. Users selling cards have the choice of accepting points which are used to swap for other gift cards, receiving a cheque or being paid through PayPal, said Ho. Individuals can also convert unused gift cards for charitable donations, with CardSwap issuing payment for up

Quoted



"Sometimes, when you receive a gift card, it just may not be the right place for you and so you just want to swap it out for your favourite store or your favourite restaurant."

Frances Ho, co-founder and COO of the Canadian website CardSwap, now in its fourth year of operation.

to 92 per cent of the face value.

"I think when you give a gift card out, the thought is there already; and if it isn't the correct gift card, I think the person that gave it to you would rather you use it at a place that you would go to and really enjoy," she added.

"The point of giving a gift card is so that a person is able to splurge a little or treat (themselves); so I think it's perfectly fine to swap it for something you're actually going to use." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Celebrated Hong Kong model Lisa S sits in a Porsche at the Beijing Auto Show in this file photo. Where do you park your Porsche in Hong Kong? In a \$167,000 parking space, according to the latest transactions. GETTY IMAGES FILE

Parking spots are Hong Kong's newest investment craze

Speculation. This past weekend, buyers paid up to \$167K per space

Investors looking for new places to park their cash in Hong Kong are driving up prices for parking spaces, sparking fears of a bubble in the Asian financial centre.

Prices for parking spots in Hong Kong are nearing historic highs, the side effect of government curbs to cool the housing market amid worries of overheating following the latest round of monetary stimulus in

the U.S. last month.

There are "a lot of speculators in the market, especially for car parks," said Buggle Lau, senior analyst with Midland Realty. A bubble is "definitely forming."

Over the weekend, a developer sold about 500 parking spots at a new suburban apartment complex at prices of up to about \$167,000 per space.

In a commercial building near the city's financial district on Hong Kong Island, an investor has put 34 parking spaces on sale for about \$12.9 million, according to a report last week in the Ming Pao newspaper.

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Auto industry

Feds usher in new emission rules

On the eve of global climate talks that will put Canada's contentious policies under the microscope, Ottawa has introduced its next set of rules to cut greenhouse gas emissions from cars and light trucks.

Under regulations proposed Tuesday, vehicles built between 2017 and 2025 must cut emissions by an average of five per cent a year, every year. Environment Minister Peter Kent said that should cut annual gas costs by about \$900 per auto.

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Business jets

Bombardier nets plane order worth up to \$7.8B

Bombardier has made the biggest sale of business aircraft in its history with a deal to provide up to 142 Global aircraft to private European luxury charter company Vistajet in a transaction potentially worth up to \$7.8 billion US.

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Market Minute

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100.53¢ (-0.09¢)

TSX
12,111.63 (-73.42)

OIL
\$87.18 US (-56¢)

GOLD
\$1,742.30 US (-\$7.30)

Natural gas: \$3.89 US (+16¢)
Dow Jones: 12,878.13 (-89.24)

Ralcorp purchase

ConAgra becomes top U.S. producer of private-label food

ConAgra Foods is set to become America's biggest maker of store-brand foods, with a \$5-billion US purchase of Ralcorp that expands its stake in the market for cereals, crackers and other packaged foods sold under private labels.

The deal caps a year of acquisitions for ConAgra, which makes brands including Chef Boyardee and Marie Callender's.

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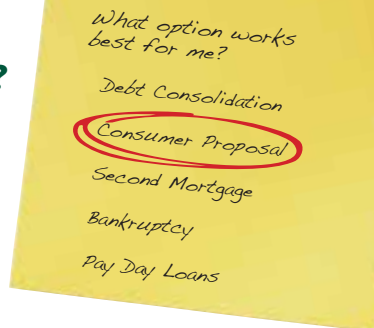
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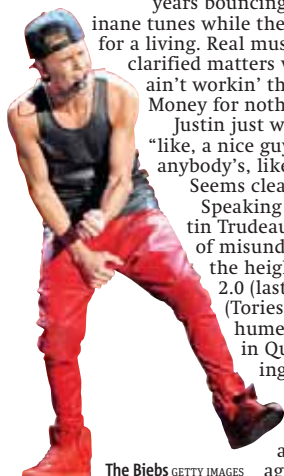


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half right. I'm tempted to clarify, but that usually leads to more misunderstanding.



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The Biebs GETTY IMAGES



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There's an epidemic of misunderstanding going on.

Why, just the other day, I was misunderstood by a reader who called me "rich" and "arrogant." He was, at best, only

At least I'm not alone. If I think I'm misunderstood, what about poor Rob Ford, the mayor of Toronto? He tried so hard to make everything simple, for example, characterizing the complex problems of transit in a North American megacity as "the war on cars." And what thanks does he get? Booted out of office for conflict of interest around his football association, that's what.

It's not his fault. It's those leftists like lawyer Clayton Ruby who fail to understand that he's a simple man of the people who doesn't get conflict of interest and all that stuff.

Then there's Justin Bieber, the world's most misunderstood pop tart, who was booed every time he showed his face at the Grey Cup, even though there were worthy alternative targets such as Burton Cummings' ridiculous rendition of O Canada. Justin thinks these "haterz" hate the very idea of Justin Bieber. They can't

stand it that some kid made more than \$100 million over the last two years bouncing around the stage to

inane tunes while the rest of us had to work for a living. Real musician Mark Knopfler clarified matters when he sang: "That ain't workin' that's the way you do it. Money for nothin' ..."

Justin just wants to be known as, "like, a nice guy. But I won't take anybody's, like, s--t."

Seems clear to me.

Speaking of Justin, there's Justin Trudeau, yet another victim of misunderstanding. Right at the height of Trudeaumania 2.0 (last week), the haterz (Tories, in this case), ex-hummed a video clip of Justin in Quebec circa 2010 moaning about the state of Canada because of the Albertans "who control our community and socio-democratic agenda." Needless to say, that was misunderstood

in Alberta, but in Quebec, nothing was lost in translation.

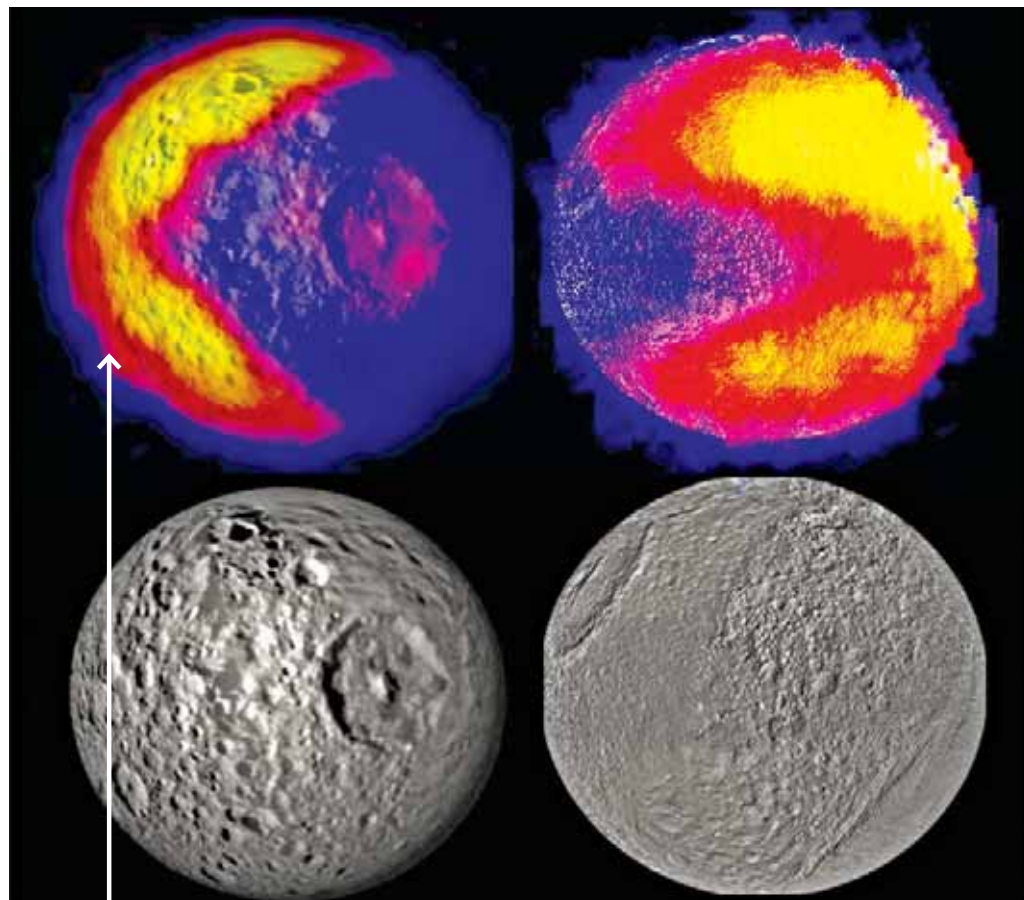
What he meant to convey was that "Albertans" was shorthand for Stephen Harper and his gang of neo-Tories, but everybody just misunderstood. I am also tempted to point out that a lot of people don't understand that Stephen Harper is, in fact, from Etobicoke. Like Rob Ford.

Now Etobicoke is going to start complaining that it's misunderstood.

Before that happens, we need to nip this epidemic in the bud. The only thing Rob Ford, Justin Bieber and Justin Trudeau don't understand is that the people (at least the leftists, haterz and Tories) are not fooled. They understand, only too well.

Except when it comes to me, of course.

Pac-Man replays on moons



NASA/JPL-CALTECH/GSFC/SWRI

Space exploration

Video game hero spotted in moons

NASA put a man on the moon in the 1960s — a few decades later Pac-Man appears on two of Saturn's moons. Scientists with the Cassini spacecraft mission have identified two features shaped like the 1980s video game icon on moons of Saturn. One was observed on the moon Mimas, left, in 2010

and the latest was observed on the moon Tethys.

These remarkable infrared images measure the surface temperature of the two satellites. In a new report, researchers theorize that this distinctive pattern is the result of high-energy electrons colliding into low latitudes on the forward-facing sides moons as they orbit around Saturn. This bombardment transforms the normally "fluffy" surface into hard-packed ice, NASA said. **METRO**

Temperature

-185

degrees Celsius is the warmest temperature recorded on the surface of Tethys in data obtained on Sept. 14, 2011. Daytime temperatures inside the mouth of Pac-Man were seen to be cooler than their surroundings by 1.6 C.

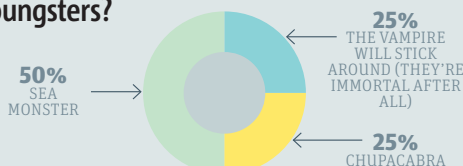


Screenshot of the 1980 arcade game Pac-Man. NAMCO



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Now that the Twilight saga is over, what creature is set to capture the attention of the next generation of impressionable youngsters?



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@Edward_Chaan:

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@ryannsmall:

I got hella mixed feelings about this whole Boy Meets World sequel..

@tayyeakinn:

I just touched the grey cup #ifeel-important #wooo #Argos

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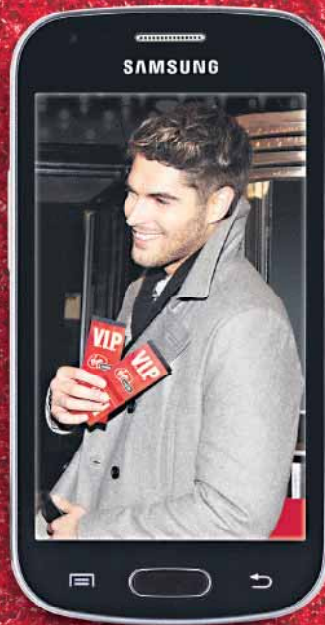
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James Gandolfini plays a foul-mouthed hitman in *Killing Them Softly*. HANDOUT

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James Gandolfini: I'm 'like a 260-pound Woody Allen'

Killing Them Softly. Hard to erase memories of Tony Soprano in new film



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Tony Soprano was one of the most recognizable television characters of the last decade, yet the man who breathed life into him, actor James Gan-

dolfini, says, "I never think about him, ever."

He may not, but audiences do. It's difficult to see the burly actor in any other role without thinking about the troubled gangster he played on 86 episodes of *The Sopranos*.

This weekend, he plays a foul-mouthed hitman in *Killing Them Softly*, opposite Brad Pitt and Ray Liotta. Despite his powerful presence, the role likely won't do much to erase memories of Soprano.

The New-Jersey-born actor first earned notice playing — you guessed it — a hitman in Tony Scott's *True Romance*.

Similar roles in movies like *Get Shorty* followed, but Gandolfini says he is nothing like the tough guy characters he so frequently plays.

Even though he once earned a living as a bouncer (he also delivered seltzer for a company called Gimme Seltzer) and has repeatedly unlocked a wellspring of rage on screen, he says, "I'm a neurotic mess. I'm really basically just like a 260-pound Woody Allen."

Perhaps that's what he tapped into when he voiced Carol, the impulsive creature in *Where the Wild Things Are*.

It's a sensitive performance

that shows off Gandolfini's softer side. He does go on a "wild ruckus," but at least he doesn't shoot anybody.

In fact, we may soon see less and less of his badass side. "I'm getting a little older, you know," he says. "The running and the jumping and killing, it's a little past me."

In the dark indie *Welcome to the Rileys* (directed by Jake Scott, son of Ridley) he's unarmed, playing a troubled businessman whose life unravels when he befriends a stripper, played by Kristen Stewart.

In *The Loop*, a wild satire of British politics, saw Gandolfini

take a detour into comedy, but his strangest movie came in 2010. *Mint Julep* was made in 1995 after Gandolfini had appeared in *Terminal Velocity* and *Crimson Tide*, but because of money issues it wasn't released until after *The Sopranos* was off the air. Noticeably thinner, and with more hair, he plays a perverted landlord opposite David Morse.

Yet another side of the actor can be seen in *Alive Day: Home from Iraq*, a documentary in which he interviews injured Iraq War veterans about the physical and emotional costs of war.



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New doc is on a drug-war bender

The House I Live In.

Eugene Jarecki's latest documentary tackles the 40-year drug war, and offers a personal take on a taboo topic

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Whether it's taking on the military industrial complex in 2005's *Why We Fight* or his indictment on the war on drugs in his latest documentary *The House I Live In*, Eugene Jarecki clearly isn't afraid to battle big systemic issues in America.

"I'm usually dissatisfied with the sort of convenient answer that comes with vilifying one person or another in charge of such a system," said Jarecki recently to promote the special premiere of the film at Bloor Hot Docs Cinema Dec. 5. "I'm never satisfied that the interest value begins and ends with the individual."

As such, Jarecki makes a comprehensive argument that the 40-year drug war is



In this scene from *The House I Live In*, which explores the drug war, two police officers investigate on a stretch of highway in New Mexico. HANDOUT

flawed, having brought no change to addiction numbers but questionably increased sentencing for minor drug-related charges. But the film notably takes a more personal

approach since Jarecki focuses on his former nanny and the tragic result of her own son's dealings with drugs.

"A person doesn't need to have a member of their family

get killed in the Iraq war to know that the war is wrong," said Jarecki. "They are indirectly in that family undergoing that inhumane system and they ought to speak out

about it just as by an arm's length link to the drug war, I must speak out about it."

In some ways, the film has also drawn non-fiction comparisons to HBO's hit series

Jarecki's pick

Fave film. After a year of successful documentaries, what is Eugene Jarecki's favourite film of 2012? "I loved, loved, loved *Searching for Sugar Man*," said Jarecki about Malik Bendjelloul's hunt to uncover an obscure 1970's musician named Rodriguez. "Where my movie breaks your heart, that movie melts your heart."

The Wire — which is represented here by tough-talking show creator David Simon.

"I hadn't seen the show," admitted Jarecki, who was pleased to interview Simon nonetheless.

"Everyone would tell me to watch the show (since) I was making a movie about the drug war, but I have an old rule — when you're working on a movie about horse racing, you don't necessarily want to see all the movies that are also about horse racing."

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James Bond villains should gang up on 007: Former villain

Mads Mikkelsen.
Actor in Toronto shooting upcoming series Hannibal

When Mads Mikkelsen played Bond villain Le Chiffre in 2006's *Casino Royale*, his character met an untimely demise.

But the Danish actor jokes that if Le Chiffre could somehow be brought back to life and paired with Javier Bardem's malevolent Raoul Silva from the latest Bond instalment *Skyfall*, they might be able to take 007 down for good.

"I think the two of us together might be able to finally get him," Mikkelsen said Monday while promoting his new movie *A Royal Affair*.

"We could do something



Mads Mikkelsen
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about that Bond character once and for all."

Mikkelsen has been in Toronto for the last few

months shooting the upcoming TV series *Hannibal*, based on the famed *Silence of the Lambs* character.

His son is attending school here and the actor is familiarizing himself with the city (he says he couldn't get tickets for Sunday's Grey Cup and ended up watching it on TV).

One of Denmark's biggest heart-throbs, Mikkelsen says he's also found time to see *Skyfall* — and loved it.

"I thought it was brilliant," he said, adding that it would be "fun" to somehow return to the Bond franchise.

A Royal Affair — a sweeping period drama — is set to open Jan. 18 in Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal. It's Denmark's entry in the foreign-language Oscar race.

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Hot theatre seats — just in time for the holidays

Tchaikovsky, the most enduringly famous Russian composer, was also one of the most prolific. In fact, over a hundred years after his death, some of his most well-known ballets, concertos and symphonies continue to be standard bearers.

To celebrate this favourite Russian virtuoso, The Toronto Symphony Orchestra is hosting a two evening retrospective: *Tchaikovsky Spectacular*, featuring some of Tchaikovsky's most well known works, including the suite from *Swan Lake*. Pianist Alon Goldstein performs *Concerto No. 2*, while the Toronto Symphony Youth Orchestra joins the TSO onstage in a combined performance of the holiday classic *Swan Lake*. While we hope that neither turns out to be the black swan, we are excited to celebrate Tchaikovsky on Dec. 5 and 6 at Roy Thomson Hall. Sceneopolis subscribers get 30 per cent off tickets to the



Tchaikovsky Spectacular. HANDOUT

Tchaikovsky Spectacular.

In other theatre news, The Canadian Stage Company recently debuted a musical version of the famous Swiss play *The Arsonists*. The original play, a post-war Swiss farce written by Max Frisch, has been re-interpreted by the Alistair Beaton and produced for the first time in Canada by the Canadian Stage Company. Described as a "wickedly funny farce," the Toronto production is set to original music by local musician Justin Rutledge, and while the music is completely new, the plot remains the

same — two would-be arsonists and their would-be victim. *The Arsonists* is on until Dec. 9 at the Bluma Appel Theatre. Sceneopolis subscribers get 20 per cent off. Tickets start as low as \$24.

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Life goes on After the Rose for Brad and Bianka

The Bachelor. Runner-up Whitney returns for final episode

Last week, Brad Smith made his choice on *The Bachelor Canada*. He proposed to Bianka, who eagerly accepted the rose. The 29-year-old registered nurse beat out 24 other women for a shot at marital bliss with the ex-CFL football player.

But what happens After the Rose? A peek behind the fairy tale romance can be seen Wednesday night in an hour-long final episode of the Citytv reality series.

The episode was taped a few weeks ago before 300 fans at the picturesque, seaside town of Sidney, B.C. It had been two months since Brad had actually proposed in Barbados. The two had not been allowed out in public together since then for fear of tipping off viewers. Their only contact, they both said, was through Skype.

"I've already tried to marry her," Brad reveals right after the taping. He tried to convince

Bianka to elope with him.

"To actually have a normal life, far from all this cloak and dagger stuff, would be awesome," said Smith, 29.

The two lovebirds seemed quite affectionate during and after the taping. Bianka marvelled at how much they have in common. They agree on everything, she says: "the favourite beer, the favourite wine, the favourite sandwich at Wendy's."

Suggestions that you can't find the love of your life over the course of an eight-week reality show were waved off as so much heard-it-before cynicism.

"To have an organic relationship from that experience is impossible, yet we have it," says Smith. "It was a TV show, yet it was so friggin' real."

Things can, however, get a little thorny after the rose. Smith says he was nervous coming face to face one last time with the turbulent runner-up, Whitney. The contestant from Calgary quickly became the villain of the series with all her "Brad's mine!" comments to the camera.

She's back and all glammed

up for Wednesday's final confrontation. Smith doesn't exactly welcome her back. Instead, he does a lot of finger pointing. "I wanted everybody in Canada to see what I had to deal with the past four weeks," he said after the taping.

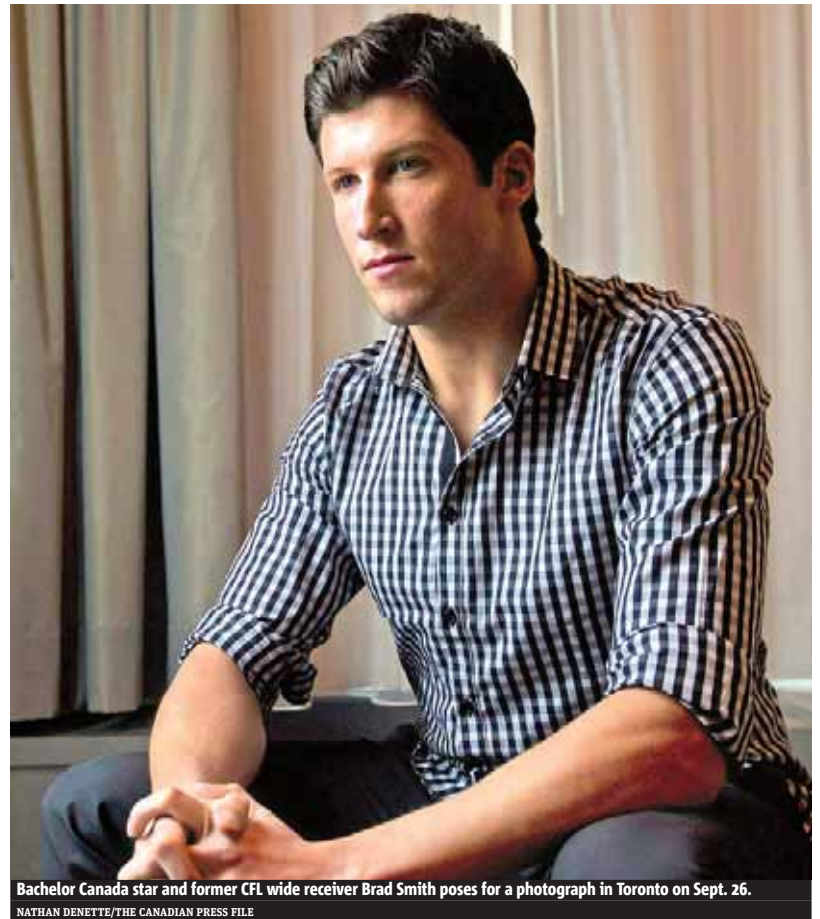
"She has a severe ability to jumble things up; it's truly frustrating to be around, especially when you just want an answer."

The studio audience gets into what shapes up to be a Springer moment. You half expect to hear cries of "Jerry! Jerry!"

"She's a polarizing figure, there's no question," says host Tyler Harcott, who referees the session, at times almost acting as if he was Whitney's therapist. "She brought a lot of that on herself. Unfortunately, she painted herself as the villain."

What worries Harcott is how the rep will follow the 24-year-old administrative assistant.

"The Twitter world, the Facebook world, that part breaks my heart," says Harcott. "I don't think people realize that these people aren't actors, they go to the coffee shop like the rest of us." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Bachelor Canada star and former CFL wide receiver Brad Smith poses for a photograph in Toronto on Sept. 26.

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Will.i.am talks pop and culture

#willpower. Megastar hits Toronto to mark the release of his new video collaboration, *Scream & Shout*, featuring Britney Spears

For all his zeitgeist-tapping chart-conquering as leader of the Black Eyed Peas, Will.i.am's solo career has been curiously lacking in commercial success.

Songs About Girls, his third solo record released in 2007, just cracked the U.S. top 40 album chart but failed to ignite, and that was the highest any of his records has ascended.

And it's unlikely anyone has spent more time thinking about that than Will.i.am himself. "There's reasons why it didn't connect — I've spent many nights thinking about that," the 37-year-old said during a recent interview in Toronto.

According to the pop-rap star, the album failed for a myriad of reasons: he began experimenting with dance music too early without collaborating with any cred-boosting electronic stars, he didn't yet under-

stand how to properly promote the record internationally and he chose the wrong song as the album's first single, opting for the upbeat *I Got It From My Mama*. "I didn't listen to my gut — I listened to executives saying, 'We like this song! It's catchy!'" he said, relaxed but animated on the couch of a Toronto hotel room.

"That's part of the reason why *Songs About Girls* didn't do (more), because I didn't really understand the science of how things worked at that point in my life."

On this day, Will.i.am is in town to promote his fourth solo album, *#willpower*. It's since been delayed until 2013 due to leaks, but Wednesday will mark the release of a new video for the icy Britney Spears club collaboration *Scream & Shout*, premiering during the evening broadcast of *The X Factor*.

Talking to the fashion-forward rap star, whose real name is William Adams, it's clear that he has a deep understanding of the ebb and flow of pop trends.

At one point, he delves with almost overwhelming detail into the unique marketing needs of various countries — including France, Canada, the U.K., Japan, Brazil and Australia

— rhyming off which press outlets in which countries are crucial for promotion. He's similarly strategic about monitoring the tide of pop music in general, hoping to hone in on which waves are worth riding.

"I like to be a sponge. Travel, sponge up culture," he said, smiling. "I'm an anthropologist (of) pop culture ... so I will be a popthropologist."

Goofy wordplay aside, he's entirely serious about the art of music commerce.

The Black Eyed Peas have been a frequent target for critical derision for their carefree pop, which has been sometimes deemed crassly opportunistic — this is the group behind *My Humps*, after all.

But the group's success is impossible to deny. They've won six Grammy Awards and racked up more than 18 platinum plaques in Canada, while sending five singles including *I Gotta Feeling* and *Boom Boom Pow* to the top of the charts.

He's used his abilities for pop prognostication to help other artists, having landed production or songwriting credits on a long line of singles including Estelle's *American Boy*, Nas' *Hip Hop is Dead*, John Legend's *Ordinary People*, U2's

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"I like to be a sponge. Travel, sponge up culture. I'm an anthropologist (of) pop culture ... so I will be a popthropologist."

Will.i.am

I'll Go Crazy If I Don't Go Crazy Tonight and Britney Spears' *Big Fat Bass*.

The stars returned the favour when it was time to round up collaborations for *#willpower*. Although the ongoing retooling of the album makes it unclear which artists will remain on the final version, Will.i.am has worked with Mick Jagger, Jennifer Lopez, Spears, Alicia Keys, LMFAO and Chris Brown for tracks intended at one point for the record.

He also worked with Canadian teen idol Justin Bieber, and the 18-year-old certainly left an impression.

"He's cool — he's really nice, down to earth. As big as he is, he's pretty humble and passionate and excited about music,"

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Will.i.am arrives at the 40th Anniversary American Music Awards on in Los Angeles earlier this month. JORDAN STRAUSS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Will's way

Will.i.am, whose real name is William Adams, says his musical style has required an understanding of general hip-hop trends in the past 25 years.

- **Street cred.** According to the California native, rap music went through a cycle of hardened street material in the late 1980s — headlined by N.W.A — then

segued into a period of blithe, danceable material in the early 1990s.

- **Progression and regression.** He saw the pattern repeat with the popularity of such gritty rappers as 50 Cent and Ja Rule toward the beginning of the last decade, and was confident the pendulum would swing back.



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Rowling sells her Scotland home, makes a mint

J.K. Rowling is a bit of a wizard when it comes to real estate. The bestselling author recently sold the Edinburgh, Scotland home — where she wrote four of her seven Harry Potter novels — for \$3.6 million after just three weeks on the market, according to People magazine. Rowling bought the top half of the home in 1999 and later bought the downstairs section and converted it into



J.K. Rowling

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Today in celebrity lawsuits



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Celebrities. If they aren't getting divorced, they're getting sued. Here's a breakdown of the latest legal woes of your favourite stars.

While Halle Berry is hoping to make her temporary restraining order against ex Gabriel Aubry permanent following his bloody Thanksgiving row with her fiancé, Olivier Martinez, Aubry himself is reportedly seeking legal protection, according to TMZ. In his legal declaration following the incident, Aubry claims that Martinez threatened his life and used intimidating language the day before the fight, during a school play featuring

Nahla, the daughter Berry and Aubry share. Aubry has been granted a restraining order of his own against Martinez.

The lawsuits just keep coming for Kevin Clash, the beleaguered ex-voice of Elmo. He's been slammed with a third accusation of having sex with an underage boy a week after a similar allegation prompted him to resign from Sesame Street. A man identified only as John Doe alleges Clash engaged in oral sex and other sex acts with him when he was 16 years old. The suit, which was filed Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, seeks at least \$75,000 in damages, per Reuters.

A Katt Williams fan isn't just brushing off a terrible performance by the comedian — he's suing the star on behalf of everyone who had to witness it. This week, Brian Herline of Modesto, Calif., filed a class action lawsuit against Williams and Live Nation on behalf of the audience members who attended a Williams show at

Oakland's Oracle Arena earlier this month. The San Francisco Chronicle reports that Williams went bonkers 10 minutes into his set, taking off all of his clothes and then challenging people to fight (sounds watchable to me). The gracious Herline is seeking class-action certification in an effort to get ticket money back for all audience members.

It's been a bad week for Justin Bieber. First, he was booed by a bunch of football fans for his halftime performance at the Grey Cup on Sunday, and now he has been hit with a \$9.2 million lawsuit brought against him by Stacey Wilson Betts. Betts claims she lost her hearing "by a sound blast that exceeded safe decibel levels" at a Bieber concert two years ago. Two years is a long time to wait to file a lawsuit. Even fishier? She's representing herself. Bieber and his lawyers asked for the case to be dismissed, stating that Betts has a "failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted,"



which is legalese for "girlfriend is crazy."

And, finally, we're going to save the most beautiful and touching for last: Hulk Hogan and Bubba the Love Sponge have settled out of court regarding Hulk's lawsuit against Bubba over a sex tape scandal. Hogan sued his former friend and Bubba's ex-wife Heather Clem for taping him in sexual acts with Heather without his knowledge and consent. The terms of the settlement are confidential.

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Shia LaBeouf

LaBeouf and Pho no more

Shia LaBeouf has split up with his girlfriend of two years, Karolyn Pho, according to Us Weekly.

A source tells the magazine that the Lawless star and stylist Pho

actually broke up "a while ago," and LaBeouf is clearly already moving on, having been spotted cosying up to a mystery blond over the weekend at L.A.'s the Magic Castle.



Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie

Pitt and Jolie: Finally getting hitched?

Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie may be finally making good on their engagement and getting married sooner rather than later. "I am getting more pressure from my kids, and it is something I want to do within their lifetime," he tells reporters at the Killing Them Softly premiere, according to Hollyscoop. "But I also feel like the time has come. The time is now. It's soon. I got a good feeling about it." And Pitt admits it's not just pressure from the kids that has him eager to tie the knot. It turns out he's into the idea as well: "We've had a family, we've raised the kids. I am surprised how much [marriage] meant to me once you had that," he says.

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With Barack Obama back in the White House and Abraham Lincoln in movie theatres, we thought it was time to immerse ourselves in Chicago — a city with historic ties to both presidents. We visited Lincoln Park, Bucktown and Wicker Park to give you this best friend's guide to the north side of the city

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A number of the rooms feature curtains that open like the flaps of a tent, and patterned carpeting guides you through the hallways and suites. While it underwent extensive renovations before being opened by hotel operator Joie de Vivre early in 2012, the 12-storey building still retains its historic edge. The 184-room Lincoln has the feel of a boutique hotel with whimsical touches — like an eclectic wall of pictures and paintings leading from the lobby to the second floor, and a reception desk clad in drawer fronts. On the rooftop, an all-season bar offers sweeping views of Lake Michigan, North Avenue Beach and downtown Chicago. Off the lobby is Perennial Virant (perennialchicago.com), offering a seasonal menu and featuring pickled and canned ingredients purchased from local growers. (1816 North Clark St. jdvhoteles.com.)



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Lunch

A popular spot in the neighbourhood, Nookies Restaurant (1746 North Wells St., nookiesrestaurants.net) is the perfect spot to enjoy a quick lunch or a hangover-battling Sunday breakfast. Have an appetite? Try the Crunchy French Toast, made from thick pieces of bread covered in cornflakes and powdered with sugar.

Prohibition

To get in touch with the city's more infamous history, walk a short distance from Hotel Lincoln to 2122 North Clark St., which was the site of the Saint Valentine's Day Massacre. It was at this address in 1929 that, at the height of prohibition, Al Capone's south Chicago gang murdered seven rival mob associates.



Architecture

Located at the southern end of Lincoln Park are the mansions and stately homes of the Gold Coast — an area where the rich built after the 1871 Chicago Fire. The Chicago History Museum offers an all-weather walking tour of the Gold Coast (chicagohs.org). Be sure to visit the Charnley-Persky House on North Astor Street, which was designed by Louis Sullivan and Frank Lloyd Wright.



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Lincoln Park

Before leaving Hotel Lincoln, grab a coffee from Elaine's Coffee Call. Located off the lobby, the small café is named after a former hotel telephone operator, who at night would call up former hotel mainstay and famed playwright David Mamet to see if he wanted an evening drink. The walls of Elaine's are covered with multiple layers of dog-eared wallpaper made even more interesting with coffee beans rubbed onto them with a brick. It makes the place feel well-loved, well-used and timeless.

Across the street from the hotel is Lincoln Park, a more than 1,200-acre retreat from the city nestled on the edge of Lake Michigan. Locals stroll and jog through the more than 25 kilometres of trails in this urban get away. Near the park centre is Lincoln Park Zoo (lpzoo.org), a free facility featuring a menagerie of creatures, from sea lions to land lions. The animals are like an extended family for locals, who can stroll through at any time and watch as the babies — including two recently born gorillas — grow up.

Bucktown and Wicker Park

Located west of Lincoln Park, both neighbourhoods have seen a resurgence in recent years as established residents and young families mix with students and hipsters. Before you start exploring, grab lunch at Big Star (1531 North Damen Ave., bigstarchicago.com), a whiskey and taco eatery just past the Damen L transit station.

Across the street from Big Star is The Violet Hour (1520 North Damen Ave., theviolethour.com). The lounge has a nearly hidden entrance and speakeasy feel. A house rule helps to achieve this — cellphones are left at the door!

End your day by grabbing dinner at The Bristol (2152 North Damen Ave., thebristolchicago.com), an award-winning Bucktown restaurant. GQ named the eatery one of the 10 best new restaurants in America, and with its extensive wine list and seasonal-based creations, it's easily worthy of the title.



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"Left. Right. Left... Left! Left!" My instructor's voice is lost as the powerful wind takes me off the water and up in the sky. Kiteboarding is an exhilarating sport I am discovering in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Carried away, I feel the power of the wind blowing in the kite ... and pulling intensely on my arms. Anxious to avoid a collision with the plane taking off in a distance and the few sunbathing people close by, I manoeuvre the control bar to sink my kite.

Frances, my instructor, reaches for me in powerful strokes. Our faces are beaming. "Isn't it something?" she asks. I choke as a wave crashes on my smile. "I already lost two legs to it" she adds, referring casually to the prosthesis below



The Castillo San Felipe del Morro, built in the 16th century. AURÉLIE RESCH

her knee — the outcome of a surgery turned bad — that she lost in the water twice while kiteboarding.

Frances is a passionate pro kitesurfer. Nothing will stop her from doing it to its extreme or from teaching it to beginners like me.

"It's great to feel the power and the freedom," she adds as we head back to the beach. Still feeling the wind strongly pulling me to the shore, I nod vigorously. What a fantastic introduction to Puerto Rico.

Next move: A visit to Old San Juan. Traffic in San Juan is quite an experience, as are the one-way signs. They punctuate your driving. If you are in good shape and feel ready for it, better get on your feet and walk.

La Plaza de Armas is filled with food stands and congested with school buses, vocal drivers and running children. The square seems to be the lively roundabout in the heart of the city. The display of the buildings around the plaza distracts me for a second as it reminds



The Camuy Rivers Cave Park offers an adventure in the dark. AURÉLIE RESCH

me of a location from the movie Assassins. The location from that famous scene in which Antonio Banderas hides in an abandoned hotel and waits for Sylvester Stallone to get out of the bank, here a theatre, to kill him as he crosses the square.

My fertile imagination is fed with a tour of the Castillo San Felipe del Morro. Built in the 16th century, this citadel is rich in history. As I wander between thick stone in darkness, I imagine the rumours of fire guns and the screams of the guards

outside as they defend the fort against invaders. I am struck by the heat and claustrophobic atmosphere of the dark corridors and I envision how hard it must have been for the soldiers to work under such conditions.

I'm not sure that the outstanding view of the ocean from the fort helped them forget about their mission and condition. No wonder some soldiers defending the lower outside towers disappeared. They likely swam away to better auspices. Nevertheless, the

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Castillo san Felipe del Morro is an impressive monument, a United Nations World Heritage site, and great place to visit with children or if you have the soul of an adventurer. The wind and the sea are calling me. I am ready for another quest. But before I reach the shore, I enjoy a nice stroll in small streets paved with indigo cobblestones. I stop to admire the colonial architecture of buildings and the squares garnished with beautiful statues. I venture in churches and shops for other tastes of the city. Charming Old San Juan demands to enjoy history and culture and to stop my watch for a bit.



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Jeremy Charles, owner and executive chef of Raymonds, gets busy in the kitchen. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Eat your way around the Rock

Foodie boom. Oil money and the fascination with celebrity chefs has put N.L. on the map as a tasty destination

New Year's Eve at Raymonds Restaurant in St. John's, N.L., will feature a luxurious 12-course tasting menu of sea-

food and wild game crafted by celebrated chef Jeremy Charles.

Each dish is based on a walk-in-the-woods theme and will showcase flavours from throughout the island, paired with wines from around the world.

The price?

A bell-ringing \$325 per person, including the wine, tax and tip.

A more typical dinner for two at Raymonds — think Cornish hen with foie gras jus

or pan roasted cod with Jerusalem artichoke puree — will top \$300 with an appetizer and dessert, depending on which wine you choose from a 42-page list. Bottles range from about \$40 to more than \$2,000.

It's still a surprise to many people from out of town that fine dining of this calibre not only exists but thrives on the Rock. And while Raymonds is the jewel in this city's culinary crown, it's in fine company with a growing list of restaurants that increasingly delights globe-trotting food lovers.

The offshore oil boom has brought new visitors, executives and wealth to a province famous for its kitchen parties and culture of hospitality.

"Europe, Scandinavia, Japan. People are coming up from all over," said Charles, a soft-spoken and unassuming wizard in chef's whites.

Raymonds, named for his grandfather and the father of restaurant manager and sommelier Jeremy Bonia, was chosen Canada's best new restaurant last year by Air Canada's enRoute inflight magazine.

"I think we take a fairly simple approach with ingredients," Charles said. "We try to forage and source all local Newfoundland ingredients and, if not, Canadian."

Those basic elements include the freshest seafood, moose, rabbit, duck and lamb — grazed in summer on salt grass islands in the North Atlantic — that he infuses with French, Italian or whatever modern twists inspire him.

Charles refined many of those techniques during the decade he spent away, cooking for the Molson and Bronfman families at a remote fly fishing camp in Quebec, and working as a private chef in Chicago and Los Angeles.

"Not everyone's expecting to see such food, I guess, in St. John's. But it's great to be a part of this whole food movement and I think we really have come a long way in the past few years," he said.

"A lot of people are pushing themselves to put out wonderful products and we're so proud of what we have here. We're so excited to share what we have with the rest of Canada and the world."

St. John's-based food writer and critic Karl Wells said Raymonds is worth every dollar for those who can afford it, and it seems there are many who can. Reservations in high season are recommended weeks in advance.

"It wasn't that long ago that I wrote a column being critical of a particular restaurant here that was charging \$40 for an entree. Well, I mean, that sounds kind of silly now," Wells said.

Word is spreading about the quality and quantity of Newfoundland eateries, in a range of prices and tastes from Mexican to Indian to the Japanese fusion of Basho Restaurant and Lounge.

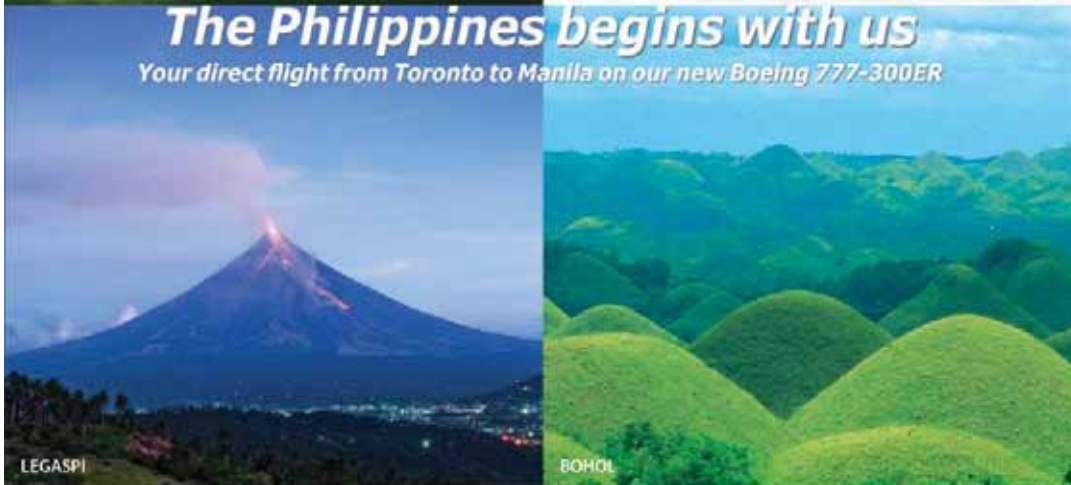
The excellence of down-home pub food has been honoured too. The Duke of Duckworth in St. John's, best known for its fish and chips and its recurring role on the hit CBC-TV show Republic of Doyle, was ranked 10th on this year's Vacay.ca list of Canada's top 50 restaurants.

And there's no shortage of places to find modern twists on traditional favourites such as Jiggs dinner (boiled salt beef with carrot, cabbage, turnip, pease pudding and potato), figgy duff raisin pudding and desserts made with indigenous blueberries, partridge berries and bake-apples.

Award-winning creations also abound at the Newfoundland Chocolate Company.

Wells traces the local food revolution in part to the rise of celebrity chefs and their myriad cooking shows. That media-driven foodie craze has generated a wave of new and ambitious chefs now making their mark in culinary competitions and at the helms of their own restaurants.

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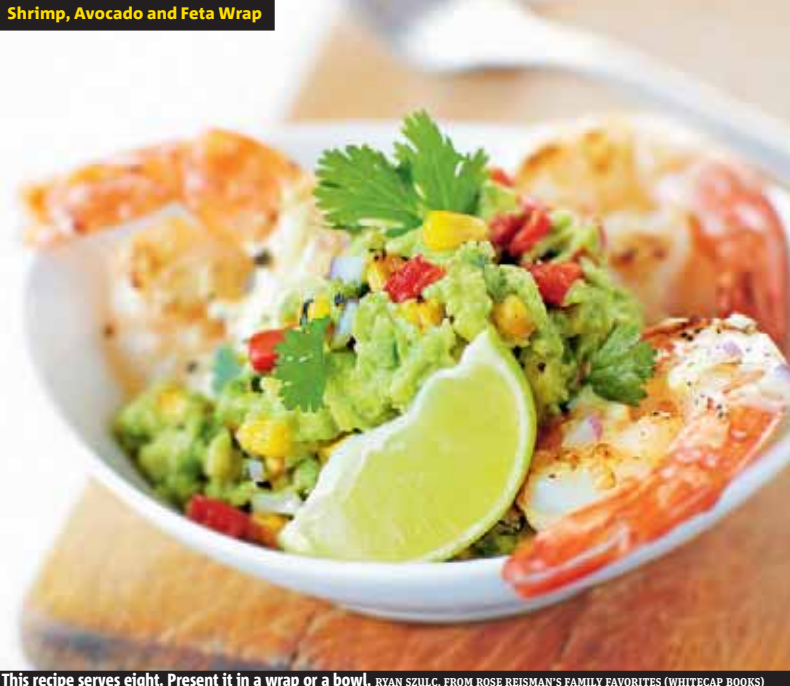
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To wrap or not to wrap this shrimp, avocado and feta combo

Shrimp, Avocado and Feta Wrap



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You can substitute baby cocktail shrimp if you don't have the larger ones. Also, be sure to seed the tomatoes first to avoid excess liquid.

Keeping some or all of the shrimp whole makes a lovely presentation. Corn kernels are a nice addition to the filling.

If you are serving these to guests, let them assemble the wraps themselves.

1. Lightly coat a nonstick skillet with vegetable spray and set over medium-high heat. Add the shrimp and grill just until no longer pink, about 3 minutes, turning halfway through. Remove from the heat and let cool slightly. Dice the shrimp and place in a large mixing bowl.

2. Add the tomatoes, avocado, cilantro, red onion, feta, olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, jalapeño, salt and pepper.

Ingredients

- 6 oz raw shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1 1/2 cups chopped plum tomatoes
- 1/2 cup chopped avocado
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- 2 tbsp chopped red onion
- 1/3 cup crumbled light feta cheese (about 1 1/2 oz)
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp lemon juice
- 1 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1 tsp finely chopped jalapeño pepper (or 1 tsp hot chili sauce)
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 4 large whole lettuce leaves
- 4 large whole wheat flour tortillas

3. Place 1 lettuce leaf on each of the 4 tortillas and divide the shrimp mixture evenly among the tortillas, spreading it to about 1/4 inch from the edges. Fold in the sides of the tortillas and roll up. Cut each in half and serve. **ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS)**

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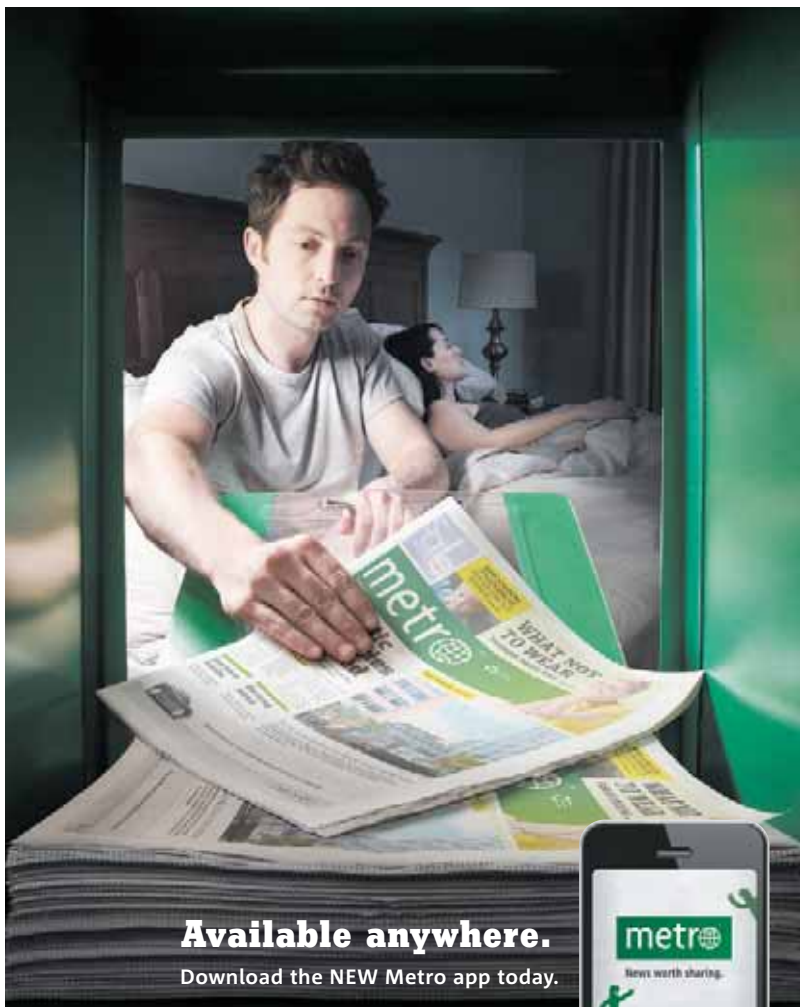
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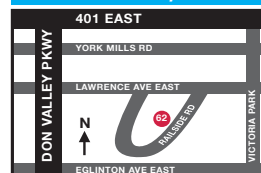
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Labour of love: It's possible to wake up wanting to go to work

Joy in the job. How to harness happiness in an office setting

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"If you do what you love, you'll never work a day in your life," goes the popular saying.

And it's true, says Teresa Kruze, columnist for The In-Credibility Factor. Kruze has interviewed many successful — and happy — people over the years. She offers up the top 10

keys to having a job you love.

Passion

It's important to feel passion for the job. If you don't love what you do, why are you there?

Room for growth and job promotions

Moving up the ladder takes time, grit and endurance, but the rewards can be spectacular and result in more job satisfaction. A workplace that encourages goal setting helps its employees to push themselves and create a positive work journey, says Kruze.

Nice co-workers

You don't have to be best friends but when co-workers are pleasant and easy to get

Team spirit

People rarely achieve greatness or happiness on the job alone.

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Investing in yourself and your skills opens doors to greater happiness at work. The company encourages further learning and may help fund educational programs.

Personal commitment

Committing yourself to all you do and seeing tasks through is satisfying. Things left hanging drag you down and add to job unhappiness, says Kruze.

You can speak your mind

A workplace that encourages employees to say what they feel is a positive one. (Mind you, no one wants to work with simpering, unconfident people, says Kruze, — especially your boss. Be direct, state your point and move on with purpose.)

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At the end of my five years at Simon Fraser University, I received a bachelor in business administration and honours in marketing and management information systems. It was very exciting, and the certificate is proudly displayed in my parents' den. But that is not definitive of my time at SFU. Instead, the out-of-classroom elements, including three co-ops, case competitions both local and abroad, an academic exchange at Tsinghua University in Beijing and a community development internship in Brazil, have defined my past five years. It is those elements of my university experience that have made me more competitive in the business world and allowed me to secure a role with Procter & Gamble one year prior to my graduation.

What I'm doing now

After I signed with P&G in November 2011, I graduated



May Yu PROVIDED

from SFU in April 2012 and travelled to Southeast Asia with my friends, followed by a two-month volunteer internship via SFU AIESEC, a student-run exchange group, in the south of Brazil. I am now working at P&G Canada in Toronto as an assistant brand manager.

My advice for employers, schools and career centres

For business students attending school on the west coast who are looking for careers in eastern Canada, it will be more of a challenge, as not all prospective companies actively recruit on the west coast. However, that

allows students who are more engaged in the job-hunting process to step outside of the typical recruit process and actively seek for informational interviews/referrals from their networks such as alumni, career centres, and past co-op employers. I encourage employers, career centres, and schools alike to bridge the recruitment gap and ensure that the west coast is represented when the Ontario-based companies go through their annual recruits. Schools with strong alumni networks, co-op programs and formal recruits with job postings/deadlines will really help prospective grads focus their energies on

companies which are actively recruiting.

My advice for students

When I reflect upon my past five years, co-ops and case competitions have undoubtedly honed my career-oriented acumen and skills. However, my most memorable experiences would be my exchanges. From my exchanges in China and Brazil, I have emerged as more of a global citizen, with a better understanding of myself and where I want to be. I made friends with people from across the globe, I learned a new language, a new culture and I made an impact with those who I volunteered with.

All in all, there's only one thing left for you to do. Stop hesitating. Apply today and go on an exchange. I highly recommend doing at least one exchange. There are significant differences between an academic and an AIESEC exchange, so I would recommend doing both if you can. There may be reasons against the exchange, but I know the experience is worth delaying graduation by a semester or two.

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With hundreds of applicants each week and a commitment to speak to each and every one of them, I have been exposed to both outstanding as well as disappointing job seekers.



Take the time to think for a moment before you speak and prepare a concise answer to the question asked. iStock

Each day, I conduct phone interviews where I speak to a handful of impressive applicants. They answer the phone excited about the prospect of a new position and relay back to me information they researched about the company, asking for clarification along the way.

Unfortunately, they are the minority. Most applicants have neglected to do so much as a quick Google search about the company. They answer the phone, neither thanking me for getting in touch with them nor displaying any interest or excitement about what I'm telling them. A surprising number

Squeeze out a smile

"Whether the interview is for your dream job or just to make some money during your summer holidays, show some enthusiasm."

Kelsey Goforth

of people fail to follow simple guidelines, severely lowering their likelihood of getting hired. These are my top three tips for how students and recent grads can impress recruiters like me:

Be enthusiastic

If you are being contacted by the company you applied with, you should be quite grateful. I have applied to dozens of jobs over the past few years and

never got so much as an email thanking me for my application for most of them. If a company has taken the time to contact you and give you a chance, be excited! Whether the interview is for your dream job or just to make some money during your summer holidays, show some enthusiasm.

Know why you want this particular job

Take the time to research the company and position. Having some background knowledge will make your interview go much more smoothly. The more you know about a company's history and objectives, the more likely you will be able to connect yourself and your experiences to the role you are applying for.

Make connections

To get an interview started, I

often ask applicants to tell me a bit about their work experience. Oftentimes, they rhyme off their past few years of work without actually telling me the most important part of these experiences. Take the time to point out specific responsibilities you had or skills you developed through the jobs you held.

Saying you had a customer service job is far more impressive if you add in the fact that you were able to sharpen your communication skills and your ability to stay focused under pressure, or that you often assisted management with more advanced duties, such as ordering new merchandise.

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Fall not from your social media slip-ups

Avoid being a Twit. Take a serious pause before you push that send button

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Before you post that picture of yourself doing body shots during your Cancun spring break, I would like to offer you some friendly advice on how potential employers might interpret your online behaviour.

You need to make sure that you are projecting the best possible image to future employers, in case anyone who's thinking about hiring you takes a quick second to Google your name.

People will be assessing what you've posted to see if there are any photos, videos or all-caps-irrational-ranting that raises a red flag about your

judgment, awareness or intelligence.

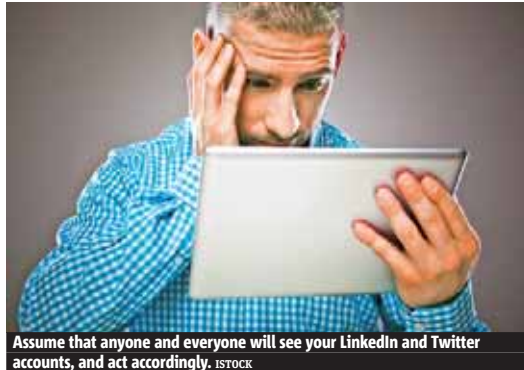
A few common sense tips can ensure that you come across as employable:

Lock it down

The first and most important commandment of personal social media management is understanding who you are sharing your personal information with.

If you choose to add your professional contacts to Facebook, you can either keep things PG or change your security settings to only allow certain posts to be visible to your professional network.

This involves a certain degree of common sense. Every industry is different in terms of their tolerance for your shenanigans via social media. For example, if you work at a creative start-up company, your boss's views on your mid-work-day posts of cat memes will be different than if you work at a Bay Street law firm. Investigate



Assume that anyone and everyone will see your LinkedIn and Twitter accounts, and act accordingly. iStock

how your peers or colleagues are using social media, and follow their lead.

Think before you tweet ... about how bad your job is

I've seen far too many catastrophes caused by careless tweets. We've all witnessed heat-of-the-moment tweets about someone's failing love life and epic drinking plans (please, spare

us), but I especially urge caution when it comes to social posts about your job.

It only takes one tweet along the lines of, "This job is S— and everyone here is a B—" to get you fired.

The same applies if you decide to resign. Take a moment to reflect on how rejoicing publicly about your departure from your current boss,

Social savvy

Ditch the cheesy Twitter handle

- I cannot tell you how many times I've seen resumes and email signature blocks that feature outrageously inappropriate email addresses, blog URLs or Twitter handles. You should be showcasing the best possible image to

potential employers and @lovemonkey1990 is sending all the wrong messages.

- Sticking to your name is safest, but if you choose to use a nickname, make it something that wouldn't make your grandma blush.

job or co-workers could appear. Perhaps your boss is in fact an evil fascist, and maybe your co-workers do give new meaning to the word psycho, but griping about work is never a good idea.

Regardless of the situation, it can make you look like a whiner and/or jerk.

Be truthful and consistent

Now that your social profiles (especially LinkedIn) are out there for anyone and everyone to see, you need to ensure

you are telling a truthful, consistent story about yourself.

If your LinkedIn profile doesn't match up to your resume, that will raise red flags and will quickly torpedo potential opportunities. Take the same care in putting together an online profile as you would your resume.

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Crowd urges Double Blue to double up on Grey Cups

CFL. Argonauts host rare championship parade for Toronto sports fans

Chad Owens danced onstage with his young son while Jalil Carter rode shirtless in the back of a pickup truck sipping from a Tim Hortons cup, and Adriano Belli planted a smooch on Toronto's embattled mayor.

Cornerback Evan McCollough arrived late, running to catch up to the parade at Yonge Street.

The Argonauts and their fans celebrated a rare treat Tuesday — a championship party in their own backyard.

And all the crazy antics culminated with the common refrain of "Repeat!" from a CFL team and its fans that could certainly get used to winning.

"All the ups, the downs, the stretches we went through, when we lost five out of six games, just knowing that we stuck together, persevered through and never lost sight of our dream and our goal and we made it through," said Owens, the wide receiver who won the league's most outstanding player award this season.

"It's so special. The 100th Grey Cup. In our city. Never going to forget that."

The Argonauts paraded the venerable trophy through downtown Toronto, arriving at Nathan Phillips Square to a festive lunchtime crowd of several thousand to celebrate Sunday's 35-22 victory over the Calgary Stampeders in the 100th Grey Cup.

Fans — clad in jerseys and tuques in the Argos' double blue — lined the streets and packed into the square. Some blew on horns, others waved Argos flags or white towels in celebration of the team's first championship since 2004.

"This is awesome," said



Quarterback Ricky Ray waves to fans as he and his Argonauts teammates take part in a parade celebrating their Grey Cup victory on Tuesday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Argos slotback Chad Owens rides through downtown Toronto on Tuesday. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Mayor Rob Ford grabs the Grey Cup on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Argos safety Jordan Younger hoists the Grey Cup during Tuesday's victory parade. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Three off-season questions for the Argos

1 Will Chad Kackert be the No. 1 running back? This seems like a no-brainer after he was named Grey Cup MVP, but Kackert, 26, is a free agent. He likely didn't make much more than \$50,000 this season, so one of the league's brightest stars should be in line for a big pay raise.

2 Will Jim Barker be a lame-duck GM? Barker has one season left on his contract, so unless he gets fired, or quits, he's not going anywhere. But unlike head coach Scott Milanovich, whose contract was re-written and extended before the playoffs, no such extension has been offered to Barker.

3 Who backs up Ricky Ray? Jarious Jackson, 35, provided leadership and stepped in when Ray strained his left knee, picking up a very big win over Winnipeg when second-place was on the line. But younger passers such as Trevor Harris and Zach Collaros are waiting in the wings. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

quarterback Ricky Ray. "It feels like a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Not everybody gets to win the Grey Cup and experience what we got to today, and just to come here and share it with

our fans is awesome."

The Argonauts seemed destined to break Toronto's sports curse since the beginning of the CFL season, when they acquired Ray in a blockbuster trade with

Edmonton.

"When you take a job, you've got two or three years to do it or they fire you," said general manager Jim Barker. "We were fortunate, things fell

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"This is what you call a dream come true, folks. We said they could do it and they did it."

Mayor Rob Ford. Ford was greeted with a mix of boos and cheers at the parade, one day after a judge ordered him removed from office on conflict-of-interest charges.

our way, we were able to make some deals, we were able to sign some players.... Things just kind of fell into place.

"Now we can take off and move forward. It's like this is the beginning, it really is."

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Grey Cup left black and blue



Toronto Argonauts defensive tackle Adriano Belli hoists the Grey Cup trophy during a victory celebration at Nathan Phillips Square on Tuesday.
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Victory celebration. Handle ripped off of trophy, but is repaired in time for parade

In the Argos' post-game Grey Cup celebration, where the cup itself went up against 250-pound-plus players and multiple pourings of champagne, there was little doubt who would break first.

It was the Grey Cup. The 10-pound bauble — and specifically, one of its handles — came off in the grasp of six-foot-six, 289-pound Adriano Belli, whose hands are big enough to choke an elephant. Add to that a fresh pouring of the bubbly, and the cup was in trouble. The handle sheared off as Belli raised it for a victory sip. "I guess I put too much champagne in the damn thing and it was a little too heavy," Belli said after the Argos paraded

the repaired trophy through downtown streets and at a rally at Nathan Phillips Square Tuesday. "But, that cup's seen worse. Two world wars. That thing's been through enough," Belli added.

When the cup absorbs some damage the winning team calls upon the CFL Hall of Fame for help. In this case, Hall of Fame executive director Mark DeNobile enlisted a silversmith who soldered the handle back on.

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Raptors in Houston: We have a problem

Toronto Raptors guard DeMar DeRozan, left, drives past Marcus Morris of the Houston Rockets during NBA action on Tuesday in Houston. The Raptors lost 117-101. It was their fifth consecutive loss.

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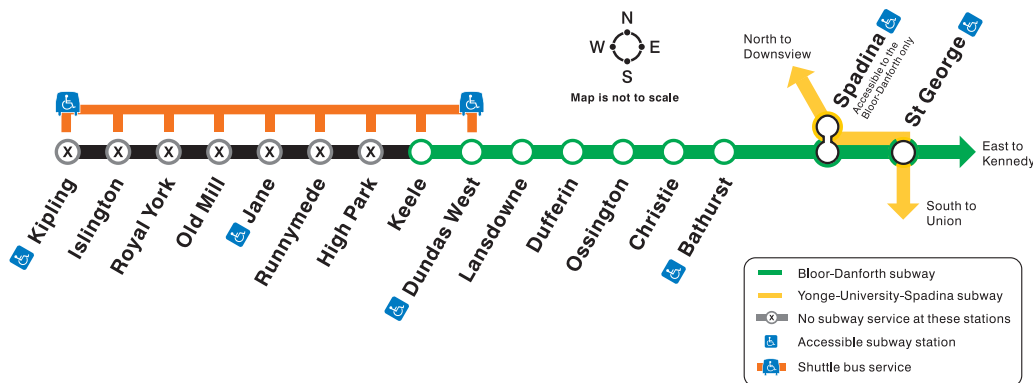
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Jays reliever has successful surgery

Toronto Blue Jays reliever Casey Janssen has undergone successful right-shoulder surgery and is expected to be ready for spring training.

Janssen, 31, had the surgery Friday in Los Angeles

to repair lingering joint soreness, the team said.

The 31-year-old right-hander had the small portion of the end of his clavicle shaved down to relieve the discomfort.

Janssen converted 22 of 25 save opportunities while posting a .195 earned-run average this past season.

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Hockey

Top Blue Jackets prospect out for season with shoulder injury

Ryan Murray is expected to miss the rest of the season with a shoulder injury, delivering a blow to Canada's world junior team.

The 19-year-old Everett Silvertips captain suffered a torn labrum in his left shoulder after taking a hit while playing Victoria on Nov. 16. On Tuesday, it was revealed the injury will require surgery that will sideline Murray for six months.

The defenceman was the second overall pick of the Columbus Blue Jackets earlier this year and was expected to challenge for a spot on the NHL team as soon as the lockout ended.

He had two goals and 17 points in 23 games for the Silvertips this season.

Murray represented Canada at last year's world junior championship and would likely have been a key member of the team that competes in Ufa, Russia, next month.

He also became the second-youngest Canadian ever to play at the IIHF World Hockey Championship in May.

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Ryan Murray of Team Canada skates during the 2012 World Junior Hockey Championship on Jan. 5 in Calgary. GETTY IMAGES FILE



EHC Biel's Tyler Seguin takes the ice for a game against the Rapperswil-Jona Lakers on Sept. 29 in Biel, Switzerland.

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Seguin finds next gear in Switzerland

Hockey. Locked-out forward taking game to new level overseas

It is awfully hard to miss Tyler Seguin these days.

Not only is the locked-out NHL forward tearing up the Swiss hockey league, he's doing it in style. Seguin stands out among his EHC Biel teammates on the ice because of the bright yellow helmet he wears — an honour bestowed on the top-scoring player for each team in Switzerland.

The 20-year-old has been an offensive force with 20 goals in 20 games, making him the most productive NHLer playing his trade in a league that includes Jason Spezza, Joe Thorn-

Quoted

"Scoring goals is never easy; I didn't do very well at the beginning. Now I just hope to continue playing well like I have been lately."

EHC Biel forward Tyler Seguin

ton, Rick Nash, John Tavares and Logan Couture, among others.

In fact, Seguin has even managed to exceed his own expectations so far.

"I had no idea what to expect when I came to Switzerland," he told the Tages-Anzeiger newspaper recently. "The league is very competitive — the speed and the talent level of the players has surprised me. It took me some time and effort to get used to it."

The trip abroad has also come with new opportunities. After seasons of 22 and 67 points with the Boston Bruins, it was reasonable to expect that Seguin would have made another leap forward during his third year in the NHL.

However, he likely wouldn't have been relied upon by Boston as much as he is in Biel, where he's been used in virtually every situation. Over the weekend against Bern, he blocked a shot while killing a penalty and scored on a short-

By the numbers

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Tyler Seguin has scored three hat tricks in his first 20 games with EHC Biel.

handed breakaway.

Seguin has seen limited penalty-kill action in the NHL and made reference to his new role on Twitter on Monday: "Got a short handed goal the other night. Wonder if @NHLBruins will see it. #blockshots"

Seguin was one of the first players to sign in Europe once the work stoppage came into effect back in September. Asked by Swiss journalists recently why he chose Biel, he replied: "I just wanted to play hockey." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Elsewhere in Europe



Patrik Berglund

Vasteras (Sweden): Berglund is giving his hometown team more than its money's worth. The St. Louis Blues centre chose to play for free in an effort to give back to the organization that helped him reach the NHL. Berglund has 16 goals and 25 points in 20 games.



Jaromir Jagr

HC Kladno (Czech Republic): Is there anything the 40-year-old can't do? Already the owner and president of his hometown team, Jagr is also its leading scorer with 36 points in 22 games. That is the highest total of any locked-out NHLer currently in Europe.



Paul Bissonnette

Cardiff Devils (Great Britain): Known primarily as a fighter with the Phoenix Coyotes, Bissonnette is an offensive star a few rungs below the NHL in Cardiff, where he put up six goals and 16 points in his first seven games. Surprisingly, the six-foot-three heavyweight has yet to drop his gloves and fight. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hassli set to return

Toronto FC is bringing back French striker Eric Hassli after the club picked up the option on his contract for the 2013 season.

- The designated player was acquired in a trade with the Vancouver Whitecaps on July 20 after Danny Koevermans was lost for the season with a knee injury.
- Injuries limited the Frenchman to seven league games. He scored three times over that span.

TFC hires former D.C. United president



D.C. United president and CEO Kevin Payne, right, poses for a photo with midfielder Dwayne De Rosario on Nov. 18, 2011, in Carson, Calif. Payne is reportedly headed for Toronto FC. BRETT HARTMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Toronto FC has taken its first big first step in restructuring after another disappointing season.

The Canadian Press has learned that former D.C. United president and CEO Kevin Payne is joining the underachieving club. An announcement is expected Wednesday.

Payne, 59, has been the Washington D.C. club's top executive since its formation in 1996. He has also served as its general manager.

A major restructuring move was expected by Toronto FC, which is looking to revamp after the latest in a series of

poor seasons.

On Monday, during his annual state-of-the-league conference call, MLS commissioner Don Garber said the struggling Toronto franchise was planning some "bold moves."

And Tom Anselmi, president and COO of TFC owner Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment, has said a full review of the club and its structure was planned after the franchise's latest dismal season.

Toronto (5-21-8) missed the playoffs for the sixth straight year since joining the league in 2007. This season, the club posted franchise worsts for

wins (five), losses (21), points (23), goals against (62) and winless string (14).

D.C. United, meanwhile, finished third in the league standings, with a 17-10-7 record, despite losing former league MVP Dwayne De Rosario to a knee injury. The club finished the regular season with a seven-game unbeaten streak before losing to the Houston Dynamo in the Eastern Conference final.

D.C. United won four MLS Cups under Payne (1996, '97, '99 and 2004) and the 1998 CONCACAF Champions Cup. The team lost in the 1994 final.

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The 2013 Fiat 500 Turbo



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Engine

The base 500 hatch and Cabrio operate with a 101-horsepower 1.4-litre four-cylinder MultiAir engine and standard five-speed manual transmission. For 2013, the engine has been tweaked to produce 6.4 l/100 km in the city and 4.9 on the highway using premium fuel.



The 500's engine

2013 Fiat 500 Turbo

- **Type.** Two-door, front-wheel-drive, sub-compact hatchback
- **Engines (hp);** 1.4-litre DOHC14, turbocharged (135)
- **Transmission.** Five speed manual
- **Base price (incl. destination).** \$22,600

Design

The Turbo arrives with plenty of add-ons, including a distinctive nose and rear end (similar to the Abarth's), unique bodyside trim and alloy wheels. Along with a sport-tuned exhaust, the transmission, suspension and braking system have been beefed up to better handle the mushy handling traits.

Transmission

Keep in mind that the Turbo copies the Abarth's manual-transmission-only requirement, so if you're averse to giving your left foot and right arm a workout while driving, the decision has already been made for you. For the record, the Turbo's fuel consumption numbers are 7.1 l/100 km city and 5.7 highway.

Review. 500 is perfect for small car fans on a budget seeking quality

MALCOLM GUNN

Wheelbase Media

Chrysler-Fiat's Italian-bred sub-compact finally appears to be gaining headway with small-car shoppers.

That should become even

more in evidence with the recent arrival of the Turbo that rounds out a four-model 500 lineup, which already includes a base 500, 500c Cabrio convertible and performance-focused 500 Abarth. Making its presence felt on the North American automotive stage has been challenging for the two-door 500, especially when compared to other more iconic and established makes, including its Mini Cooper

nemesis.

The frugal 500 family still has some kilometres to go before reaching icon status in North America. In most cases, its youthful buyers have only minimal knowledge of the Fiat marque.

However, the fiat's quality has been proven over time and bridging the gap between base and Abarth is the new 500 Turbo. As the name implies, its 1.4-litre engine is also turbocharged,

but has been detuned to 135 horsepower and 150 pound-feet of torque. That's 25 ponies less than the Abarth, but the \$22,600 Turbo model also costs \$3,000 less, which is fair.

Also note that the Turbo and the Cabrio are within \$1,000 of each other, allowing you to choose between top-down summer fun or extra performance for roughly the same money. Hmm, decisions, decisions.

The Turbo also comes with sporty-style bucket seats and fancier trim, while climate control, voice-activated navigation system, leather-covered and heated front seats and a Beats by Dr. Dre audio package are optional.

For small-car fans with champagne tastes on a beer budget, the 500 Turbo should manage to deliver some extra kick and give Fiat fans a more stylish way to get from A to B.

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What do you call a car that turns left when you steer right and vice versa?

A Dislexus.

When it comes to telling a joke, even a bad one like the above, you have to be cognizant of timing. Same for buying a new vehicle. There are really no bad times to buy, but there are certain times of the year, month, and week, when some factors are definitely working in your favour. Let's have a look...

End of Year

Two factors work in your favour at the end of the year. Automakers and dealerships want to clear out current-year models to make room for next-year models. Dealerships receive substantial per-car rebates from their respective automakers when they attain certain yearly sales levels. (These rebates are unadvertised and

go directly to the dealer.)

We're at the end of the year now. You've no doubt seen the adverts about how much money you can save by buying a 2012 model while supplies last.

Radek Garbowski of the online buying service Unhaggle.com, figures that the 2012 close-out activity is even more frenetic than in previous years: "Manufacturers are looking to drive sales records after rebounding from a few years of slow-down."

Garbowski adds that year-end incentives are even juicier when a manufacturer is set to replace a model with a totally revised one. Case in point is the 2012 Mazda6, which can currently be had with a \$7,000 cash incentive.

The all-new 2014 Mazda6 is set to debut later this week at the Los Angeles Auto Show.

According to Garbowski, the heightened competition for year-end customers is felt by the individual dealerships, which are then prepared to offer even more discounts. He notes Unhaggle clients typically can save an extra \$1,000 or more, above and beyond the incentives.



Pick a time from the options below and head to your nearest dealer for a bargain. HANDOUT

End of Month

Dealerships are very "monthly" focused when it comes to sales quotas, for the store and for individual salespeople. Sometimes managers and salespeople receive bonuses for reaching or exceeding those quotas. So salespeople and their managers are often

never as motivated to seal a deal as they are in the last few days of the month.

But there is a caveat. Incentives change month to month.

When they are high, like they are this November, the longer you wait in the month the more you risk being caught out. This is particular-

ly a factor at year-end, when there is a limited supply of those 2012 incentive-eligible vehicles. If you shop earlier in the month, you avoid the risk and get better selection.

End of Week

If dealerships throw on promotions, they typically do so

Top November incentives

1. 2012 Acura MDX: up to \$9,000
2. 2013 Dodge Caravan: up to \$8,100
3. 2012 Mazda6: \$7,000
4. 2012 BMW 3 Series: up to \$5,000
5. 2012 Nissan Sentra: up to \$4,750
6. 2012 Toyota Rav4: up to \$4,000

• **Source: Unhaggle.com.**
Excludes high-end luxury models.

on weekends and on the following Monday, when they might stay open later. Sales managers and salespeople often get psyched up to sell in these festive atmospheres, especially if they have some kind of friendly or monetary competition going on between the sales staff. Might as well take advantage of their jazzed up mood, especially if they've got party favours on hand, like free coffee and Timbits. Hey, every little bit helps.

Tow the line: Pull your load with safety

Driving Force.

Having the right hitch and not overloading can prevent towing accidents

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Towing is a common activity, but a huge number of people aren't doing it correctly. If you're not, you're risking your safety and that of other road users, and putting unnecessary wear and tear on your vehicle.

"Most people towing a trailer have no idea of how well it can tow when it's set up properly," says hitch expert Andy Thomson, president of Can-Am RV Centre in London, Ont.

"The hitches they're using might be rated for the trailer they're towing, but if they're not strong enough to transfer the weight to the front wheels of the vehicle, you don't get a stable towing experience."

"You get blown around by crosswinds, and you might not have a lot of control if you have to make an

emergency manoeuvre to avoid something.

"Putting weight on the front tires makes the vehicle stable because you're not overloading the rear suspension, and the trailer and vehicle act as one."

The trailer's weight is a factor, but people tend to overemphasize it, Thomson says.

"There are things that are a lot more important, such as the aerodynamic drag of the car and trailer. A trailer may only weigh 4,000 pounds, but if it's built like a shoebox, it's going to be very hard to tow."

"You have to look at the balance of the trailer, the type of suspension it has, if it has a long or short overhang, and if it's got the correct hitch weight, which will be 10 to 15 per cent of the weight of the trailer."

Many trucks and SUVs come with "tall" tires (a larger sidewall) because they give a smoother ride, but they can exhibit considerable lateral movement, a condition known as "squirminess." Switching to a lower-profile tire on the vehicle, and sometimes on

Tips

- **Load warning.** Overloading your vehicle with cargo or a trailer can prematurely wear the brakes, suspension and transmission.
- **The lights are on.** Always ensure the trailer's lights and signals are working properly so drivers behind know when you're stopping or turning.

the trailer, can make towing easier.

Asking a professional is always best, Thomson says, no matter what size your trailer is.

"Almost all trailer accidents resulting in serious injury or deaths have been utility trailers," he says.

"Someone buying a \$25,000 RV has a big investment and he makes sure. But if someone buys a utility trailer, overloads it, doesn't have an adequate hitch and it comes off, that's what causes the problem."



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A teaching truck

Few children or adults understand how a "recycling truck" really works, (it's apparently politically/environmentally incorrect to call it a garbage truck). However German toymaker Bruder makes a 1:16-scale Mack Granite collection truck that compresses the refuse (crumpled-up paper in this case) deposited from the attached bins into the hopper using what's called a rear packer blade. When ready for emptying, the rear compactor tilts up and a "moving wall" pushes the materials out, just like the real thing. The recycling truck lists for \$120 US, but some online outlets, notably amazon.com and hammacher.com could sell this item for less. For a complete list of Bruder retailers, visit brudertoys.com.



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Time for a change

Changing your car's oil is becoming more expensive, which might give you the idea that you can save some serious money doing it yourself. Providing incentive is the Trac Fluid/Oil Extractor that will help get the job done faster and cleaner. All you do is pump the Extractor's canister a few times to create a vacuum and the oil will automatically begin to flow out of your engine. The system will hold up to 1.57 gallons of oil and each unit comes with a pour spout for easy removal of the dirty oil. The Trac also works for changing the oil from many vehicles and devices. It is priced at \$60 US from stores.trac-outdoor.net.

8 Automotive accessories

Fill'er up, Old Tyme

Looking for the ultimate automotive dress-up item for your garage or rec room? Perhaps you might consider a classic filling station gas pump from the Past Gas Company of Cocoa, Fla. The company carries a complete line of fully refurbished and replica 1940s and '50s fuel pumps, featuring such brands as Shell, Mobilgas, Cities Service, Texaco and Sinclair, to name just a few. Prices depend on the size and style, but typically range from \$1,500 US to about \$4,500 US. Past Gas will even undertake to restore your old pump to like-new condition. Also available is a range of accessories for your pump, including oil cans and racks, neon clocks and even drive-in speakers. If for whatever reason gas pumps are your passion, make a pit stop at past-gas.com.



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One quick cooler



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This product has to be one of the ultimate must-have gifts for any racing fan or car nut. You can purchase a Tire Race Cooler that more than just resembles an honest-to-goodness racing tire — it's hand-assembled using an actual racing tire carcass that was once attached to a NASCAR-sanctioned Sprint Cup or Nationwide race car, or Camping World-series truck. The nicks, scars, and scuffmarks and assorted damage resulting from the heat of battle are all there, making each one a unique collectible. A steel diamond-plate base and carrying handles also form part of each cooler that will hold enough cans and/or bottles for you and your friends. Order the Race Cooler at speedwaymotors.com, where they're being blown out at \$200 US each.

Keep tabs on the kids

Most parents hand over the keys to the car to their teen-aged offspring with considerable fear and trepidation. You can at least reduce some of that angst by using the Lemur Vehicle Monitors SafeDriver Wireless Vehicle Monitor. The product's primary component attaches to the OBDII port found on most 1996 or newer vehicles. A special fob (key thingie) then records maximum speed, distance traveled and any sudden braking (one of the telltale signs of texting while driving). And best of all, a tamper alert is displayed should your kid (or Ferris Bueller-type valet attendant, perhaps) attempts to disable or defeat the system, which can only be accessed by inputting a secret four-digit code. The SafeDriver costs \$70 US and can be ordered at lemurmonitors.com.



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See your way around

In case your car isn't equipped with one of the new-fangled blind-spot systems that are becoming optional on many new vehicles, the patented Allview Mirror System (AMS) is a compelling alternative. The manufacturer states that its AMS is not like an image-distorting convex mirror (the one that states: "Objects in mirror are closer than they appear"). The flat, panoramic surface on the AMS increases your rearward field of vision without any distortion to a degree that you can observe multiple lanes of traffic without turning your head to check outside mirrors. This allows you to more safely merge and change lanes. The AMS sells for \$60 US (a version specifically developed for racing costs \$100 US). Get the full picture at allviewmirror.com.



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Common Issues

Check for proper operation of the external temperature readout, climate control system, audio head-unit and all door-mounted controls, including the power locks, mirrors and windows. Ditto proper operation from the remote key fobs. Look for any "Check Engine" lights or warning messages, too. Note that a humming sound or vibration, particularly from the rear of the vehicle at low to moderate speeds, could be a symptom of a problem with the All Wheel Drive (AWD) system, if so equipped. Note any harsh shifting or slipping from models equipped with the automatic transmission, too.



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Some owners report misfiring, lumpy acceleration and hesitation in some situations, which may be caused by using non Volvo-recommended replacement spark plugs or fueling with 'regular' grade gasoline instead of premium. Finally, most shoppers should avoid any used model with extensive modifications, especially to the engine or turbocharger system.

Engine



Look for five-cylinder engines in either naturally-aspirated or turbocharged variants, producing as much as 227 horsepower. Automatic or manual transmissions and All Wheel Drive were available depending on the model selected.

What owners like



Refinement, engine performance from the turbocharged mill, handling, interior styling and a feeling of safety and confidence were some of the most highly-rated aspects of the V50.

What owners dislike



Limited at-hand storage, fuel mileage and blind spots are among the most common owner-stated gripes. Some owners wish for a less-stiff ride, too.

Verdict

For peace of mind, have your potential V50 checked out by a Volvo mechanic ahead of your purchase. No hugely troublesome issues seem apparent in this generation, and a stock, non-turbocharged model will be the least costly to run.

Be frugal with your car's fuel intake with these top tips

Key factors. Tire pressure and choice of gas affect consumption greatly over time

According to Natural Resources Canada, the average age of the typical Canadian car is seven years, so to get the best fuel economy and life out of your vehicle, consider these top tips.

Check your tire pressure

The most overlooked factor is the effect an under-inflated

tire has on fuel consumption and safety. Most tires lose about one (pound per square inch) PSI per month naturally.

A tire that's under-inflated by just two PSI increases fuel consumption by one per cent. It may not seem like much, but according to the Rubber Manufacturers Association it adds up quickly. Around 4.5 billion litres of fuel are wasted each year in North America because of under-inflated tires.

Visually, you cannot tell if a tire is underinflated by two PSI. This is why it's important to check the pressures on a regu-

lar basis.

Choose the right fuel

The enemy of engine efficiency is engine "gunk," or harmful carbon deposits left behind on intake valves and fuel injectors. This gunk acts like a sponge, absorbing and trapping gasoline.

"By simply selecting a high-quality gasoline, you can cut down on the build-up of engine gunk," agrees Jim Macias, a fuels technology manager at Shell. "Tests prove that Shell Nitrogen Enriched Gasolines can protect your engine from

gunk and can even clean up gunk left behind by lower quality gasolines. And a clean engine performs better and will help to maximize the fuel efficiency of your engine."

Keep up with your maintenance schedule

To prevent costly breakdowns, 94 per cent of Canadian mechanics surveyed by Leger Marketing recommend that vehicle owners change their engine oil at regularly scheduled intervals outlined by the owner's manual.

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Think you're ready to buy? Choose your first car with care

Price out your options. Avoid a hurried purchase and weigh up whether a rental or permanent buy is your best option heading into the future

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Just picture it: It's been a long time coming, but you're in your first car with nothing in front of you but the open road.

Purchasing your first car is likely one of the biggest purchases you're ever going to make, second only to buying your first home.

But before you start to shop around for your dream car, there are several things to consider. Should you go for new or used? And is it smarter to buy

or lease?

Different options are going to work for different people, advises Silvana Aceto, spokesperson for CAA South Central Ontario.

"Look at how often you're going to be using this vehicle and how far you're going to be driving," she says.

If you're planning on driving long distances regularly, you may want to consider buying to sidestep mileage restrictions that come with leasing.

On the other hand, leasing means lower monthly payments and the opportunity to trade in for a new model every three or four years.

Aceto recommends making the effort to price out your options. Many car companies have online tools that will help illustrate the cost differences between leasing and buying their vehicles.

Resources such as the

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"There is plenty of homework, research and legwork involved, but it will pay off in the end. Take your time because this is an expensive purchase and you don't want it to be an impulse buy."

Silvana Aceto, spokesperson for CAA South Central Ontario
On whether to buy or lease a car.

Automobile Journalists Association of Canada and Consumer Reports also offer more information about makes and models as you figure out which kind of car will best fit your lifestyle, while the Canadian Black Book is an ideal guide for anyone considering used cars.

There are key pros and cons involved in purchasing a used vehicle. "You have to consider that you could be buying someone else's problems," warns Aceto.

New cars, however, will likely require fewer repairs in the first few years of ownership and are also supported by manufacturer's warranties.

But buying used might be easier on your wallet. "Typically, you pay less to insure a used vehicle as opposed to a brand new vehicle," she says.

Ultimately, when it comes to shopping for insurance and finding your ideal car, extensive research is your best friend.

"There is plenty of homework, research and legwork involved, but it will pay off in the end," says Aceto. "Take your time because this is an expensive purchase, and you don't want it to be an impulse buy."

Start sharing

Life questions. This is the third in a week-long series of articles chronicling some of the rites of passage many of Metro's readers will experience as they leave the nest or school and head out on their own.

• **Question.** Do you remember your first car or are you planning on buying your first one? Maybe you have some tips.

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- **Check your credit history.** New car owners will likely require loans to support their purchase. Doing your own credit check before you visit dealerships ensures your credit score won't dip from running too many inquiries on your credit report.
- **Take a test drive.** Once you have your choices narrowed down to a few cars, take them out for a spin. "Make sure that you take the vehicle out for 30 to 40 minutes on routes that you would normally drive," Aceto suggests.

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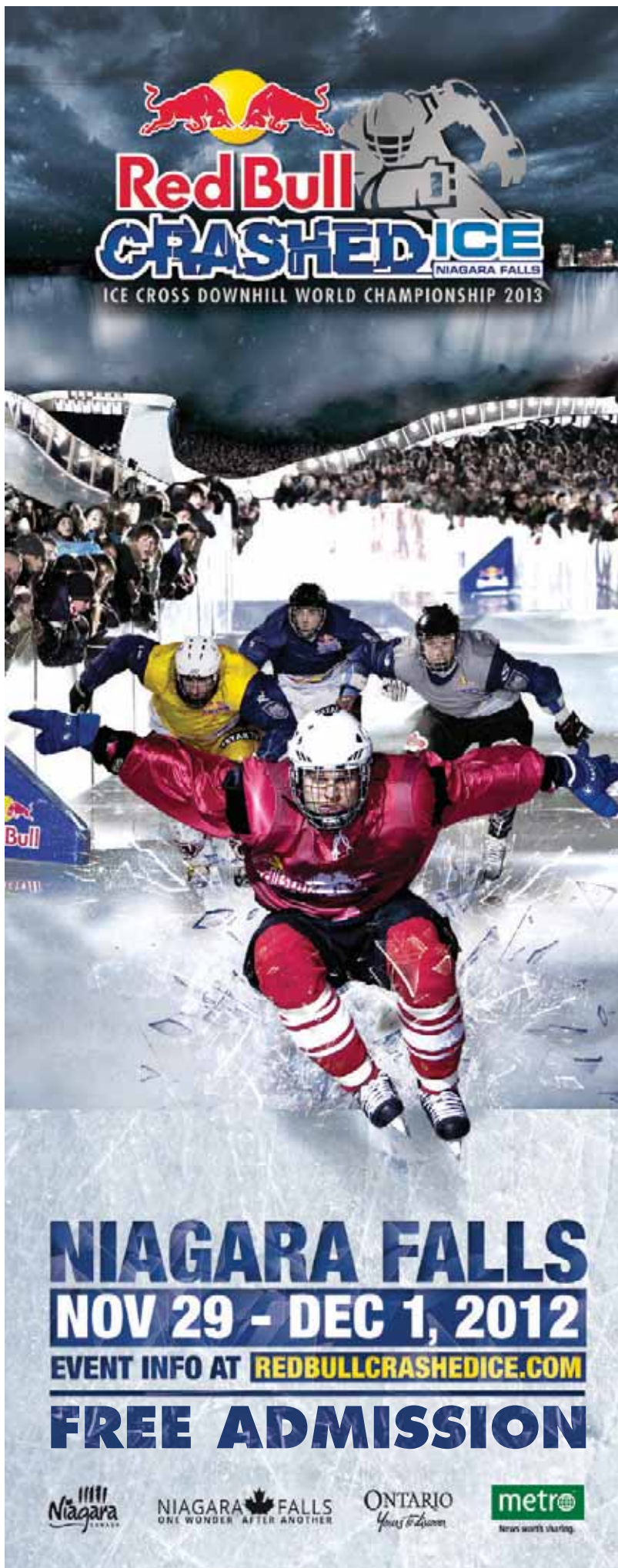
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Guide to vehicle Christmas savings

Save the festive season. Being frugal with your car's fuel and planning out your journeys can help during the holidays

When people tell their most cherished family stories, they often involve the holidays. But the journey to reconnect with friends and family can be expensive, especially at the height of the holiday season.

To increase your gift giving budget, here are a few tips to follow for improved mileage and savings at the pump.

Perform vehicle maintenance before you drive

A poorly maintained vehicle can consume up to 15 per cent more fuel than a well-main-

tained vehicle and increases emissions by even more. Nine out of 10 Canadian mechanics surveyed by Leger Marketing report that the top mistake they see vehicle owners make is only bringing in their vehicle for servicing once a problem arises. To prevent costly breakdowns, keep up with your maintenance schedule.

Practice smart behaviours and actions while you're behind the wheel

Plan your holiday shopping trips and routes wisely. Combine several short trips into one longer trip. In the winter, an engine can burn up to 50 per cent more fuel for a short trip than for the same trip in the summer.

To help stretch your fuel further, drive smoothly. By avoiding speeding, heavy acceleration or breaking, you can lower your consumption by up

to 20 per cent.

Choose high quality products and services

A protected engine typically runs more efficiently — like the vehicle manufacturer originally designed. "A lower-quality gasoline leaves behind carbon deposits, called engine gunk, which can negatively affect engine performance," confirms Jim Macias, a fuels technology manager at Shell. "By selecting a high quality gasoline, such as all three grades of Shell Nitrogen Enriched Gasolines, it's easy to help protect critical engine parts from performance-robbing gunk as you drive."

• As you plan your way to savings at the pump this holiday season, these tips can ensure you can afford an arm-full of gifts.

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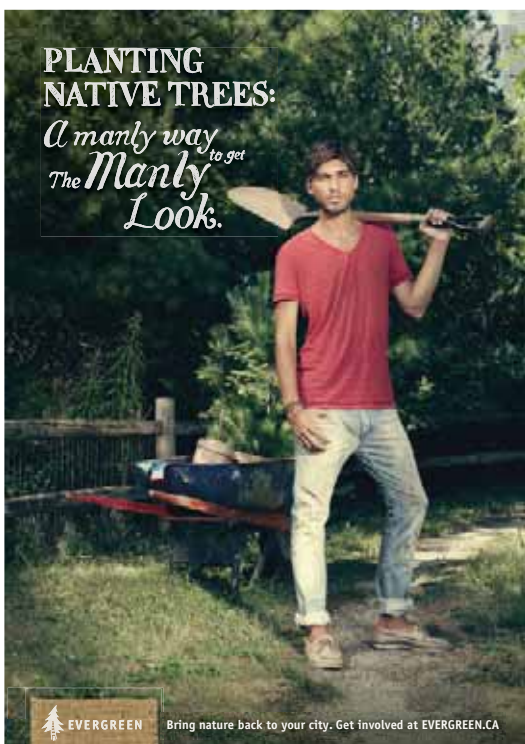
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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

You will get plenty of advice over the next 24 hours, some of it good and some of it bad. How do you know which is which? By listening not to other people but to your own inner voice. It knows all the answers.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

The more you feel the need to prove yourself, the more care you must take when dealing with people whose opinions may be very different to your own. Say the wrong thing and it could impact you financially.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Even if you are one of those rare Geminis who tries to avoid the limelight, all your instincts are telling you to put yourself out there and get noticed. Do something out of the ordinary, something that makes a lasting impression.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

There seems to be a lot of resentment in your mind but there is no point being angry with people for what they have said because they can't un-say it. It's up to you to put it behind you. Move on.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You will say something that is less than positive about a friend today but there is no need to feel guilty about it because it's the truth. A few choice words are just what they need to set them straight.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You don't have to be ruthless but the Lunar Eclipse warns you do have to protect your interests. Someone who envies your success will try to undermine you today. You know who they are. Deal with them severely.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Tell the truth as you see it today, even if you know it is likely to offend someone you are fond of. It is important that they can see things from an alternative point of view. Without it they'll make a huge mistake.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

The planets warn that anyone who approaches you with a money-making idea over the next 24 hours is not to be trusted. The more enticing it sounds the more likely it is you will lose your investment. Give it a miss.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It's not easy to turn the other cheek when someone hurts you but you would be wise to today. If you get drawn into a dispute it will escalate quicker than you expected, so give revenge a miss.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Avoid getting involved in anything that others might see as deceptive or crooked. Facts often mean less than impressions, so don't let people get the impression that you are up to no good.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You are on the right side and nothing anyone can say is going to change your mind. That's fine but be aware that too rigid an outlook limits true understanding. Being right isn't everything.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

If you don't feel up to going out with your friends, just let them know you need some time to yourself. The Lunar Eclipse makes this the kind of day when you want to hunker down and stay inside your own four walls. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword

Across

1. Angry
4. Fishing need
7. Charmed actress McGowan
11. Spring month (abbr.)
12. Desperate Housewives star Longoria
13. Role for Hal Holbrook in Evening Shade
14. Average grade
15. Flying (prefix)
17. Transmit
18. Filling out an envelope
21. Just Shoot —
22. Preserve fruit
23. Baldwin of 30 Rock
25. The Joy Luck Club author
26. Post script (abbr.)
28. According to
29. Dole out
31. Ocean
32. Baronet
33. In tune with the latest fashion
34. Ollie's partner
35. Found on the farm
36. Night time medical drama
37. Clean our teeth with this
42. Abuse
43. Without
44. Exclamation of surprise
47. Sword
48. Author of "The Raven"
49. Mate for woman
50. Barracks food hall
51. Saturday late night skit show (abbr.)
52. Pig's abode

Down

1. Apple computer
2. Mimic
3. Romanticist

Yesterday's Crossword



What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

5	4	7	1	6	2	9	8	3
8	6	2	9	5	3	7	1	4
9	3	1	7	4	8	5	6	2
3	1	5	2	7	4	6	8	9
7	8	4	6	9	1	2	5	3
6	2	9	3	8	5	1	4	7
4	7	6	5	3	9	8	2	1
2	5	8	4	1	7	9	3	6
1	9	3	6	2	6	4	7	5

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			1	8		2		
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1		5				6		4
3	9							2
			8					6
		4		2	1			
	5				3	7		1

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APR

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60
MONTHS

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WINS*
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CITY (M/T): 10.3L/100KM

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